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individual

Although they had different majors, hometowns and backgrounds, each Razorback came to the UA to discover college life as well as themselves. On a campus of 17,929, it was hard to distinguish oneself. However, with hundreds of student organizations and plenty of majors and concentrations, it was not hard for students to find their niche and become more than just a number.





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quality

Quality was found in every aspect of campus life. It was seen in education as the UA boasted academic excellence on the national level. It was seen in athletics as the Razorback track team earned All-American accolades. Quality was used to describe community service projects led by students. Most of all, it was the adjective used to describe friendships made on the Hill.





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visualize

Just as a drama student envisioned his script coming to life on the stage, and a journalism student pictured her article in the newspaper, the UA was built upon a vision to bring higher education to Arkansas. Over a century later, these foundations stood strong as the University proved itself as a nationally competitive campus where students could visualize themselves.



Despite the below freezing weather, students let their stomachs and signs do the talking at the Arkansas-Tennessee game.
Bottom: An aspiring artist paints her setting at the Greek Theatre. PHOTOS BY TRISTAN EVANS AND GIGI HOLDER



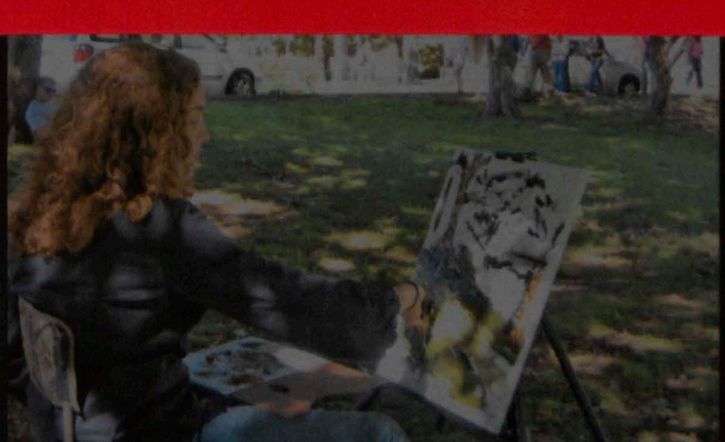




To the nation, the UA was an institution for higher learning, but for its students, the campus meant more. It was tailgating, grabbing coffee at RZ's and spending late nights in the Union...it was home. College provided a unique experience for every Razorback; each one gaining more than just an education.

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A few spectators and a Santa Claus impersonator stroll down Dickson and watch the lines of bikes roaring through town. People from all over the country came to Northwest Arkansas for the bikes, barbecue and live music. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL

The metal headlights on row of colorful bikes shine in the sun during the motorcycle rally. A record number of 125,000 bikes were spotted throughout the five-day festival. PHOTO BY MEGAN GARNER



Get Your Motor RUNNIN'

Head Out on the Highway

SEVENTH ANNUAL BIKES, BLUES & BBQ FESTIVAL BRINGS 350,000 TO THE OZARKS

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

The sweet aroma of pulled-pork sandwiches and turkey legs combined with the soft blues and the roar of the motorcycles on Dickson created a successful and enjoyable 2006 Bikes, Blues & BBQ Festival, now labeled the third largest motorcycle rally just behind the famous rallies at Sturgis and Daytona Beach.

More than 350,000 motorcycle enthusiasts and 125,000 bikes made their way to the Ozarks for a weekend of mouth-watering barbecue, free live music and a spectacle of classic Harley-Davidsons and customized choppers.

In the past few years, "the fastest growing rally" has seen a dramatic attendance increase and has even tripled in size. Sturgis, the most famous motorcycle show and rally, in Sturgis, South Dakota, saw an attendance of 456,968 at their 66th annual rally in 2006 which was an attendance drop of 70,000 from 2005.

The energy, scenery and college-town atmosphere of Fayetteville's rally was unprecedented this year. Activities included picturesque rallies all over Northwest Arkansas and countless demonstrations and showcases of both vintage and custom bikes, the ever-popular Babes Pageant and rib-eating contests.

This year, the barbecue cook-off received the official title of the Arkansas State BBQ Championship which awarded three overall winners and five team winners in the chicken, pork ribs, pork and brisket categories.

Live music could be heard throughout the weekend from two stages showcasing 40 national and local bands like Markham Hill, Six Hung Sprung, Oreo Blue and Cate Brothers.

While the event received some opposition from local residents and businesses about the negative impact on business, the nonprofit organization generated a lot of revenue locally and proceeds from the events benefitted charities.

In 2005, with more than 200,000 in attendance and 75,000 motorcycles, the festival brought in an estimated revenue of $52 million to the state and raised $125,000 for local charities like the Fayetteville Boys and Girls Club, Red Cross, Children's House and Meals on Wheels.

In the end, the barbecue was marinated, the funnel cakes were deep fried, the leather vests and chaps were worn once again for the success of the annual event quickly becoming the largest motorcycle rally.



PHOTO BY GIGI HOLDER

Corso and Herbstreit PICK 'EM to Beat the Volunteers

ESPN'S COLLEGE GAMEDAY COMES TO FAYETTEVILLE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY

BY JEFF HOBSON

Each fall weekend offered match-ups between the giants of the college football world with titles, pride and respect on the line with each kick-off. While the schedule of games was enough to make any football fanatic foam at the mouth, there was a dilemma - which game should the armchair quarterback watch? With Chris Fowler flanked by Lee Corso and Kirk Herbstreit, fans could see just what each Saturday offered on ESPN's College GameDay where the analysts spent hours talking about what could be, what each game meant and what implications it had on the national title race.

The GameDay crew ventured out into the world of college football fans to sit amidst a sea of spectators and to set up and predict that day's matches. Having GameDay come to one's campus was a badge of honor to be worn proudly and, as Arkansas began to climb the polls, the hopes of so many devout fans had come to be - the biggest game that weekend was the Hogs versus the Vols.

In the bitter cold morning of Nov. 11, thousands of fans with posters in tow packed the pit outside Razorback Stadium waiting for their 15 minutes of fame. Daniel Elkins, a senior International Relations major, walked by the action and was impressed by what he saw. "I had been waiting in line for the game but walked by the set to see what was up," Elkins said. "I had never seen that many people in that parking lot before, and I had never heard fans be so loud before a game."

With each passing segment, the fans waited for the analysts' predictions. Herbstreit predicted a Razorback win and Corso's answer became clear when he donned a Razorback head as the crowd erupted.

While the prediction and the game was important, the visit by the GameDay crew to Fayetteville meant much more than it would to many other schools. They had been to Tennessee many times before. They had set up their studio at LSU, Auburn, USC, Michigan and Notre Dame. But they had never come to Arkansas. Once the GameDay crew made their way into the Ozarks, Arkansas became a part of something elite—Arkansas became a GameDay site. In the end, Corso and Herbstreit were right as the Hogs went on that night to throttle Tennessee before a fanatical contingency of fans in a sold-out Razorback Stadium. The Hogs had won twice that day with the presence of College GameDay.

SIGNS AROUND THE CROWD



PHOTO BY CAROLYN FINNIE

"Nutt- bringing SEC titles and Sexy Back!"

"McFadden's tears cure cancer. 2 bad he never cries!"

"undEfeated in SEC Play No respect!"

"Tennessee, the only SEC school where a felony is required"

"Phil Fulmer ate my dog!"

"Eight and one...Still Playing for National respect 2nite

"Razorbacks on a plane!!!"

"Even Chuck Norris Can't Stop Darren McFadden!!!"



Hundreds of fans line up against the barricades to hold up signs and call the Hogs in front of the cameras. Some fans camped out overnight, foregoing their front row seats in the stadium to participate in the taping of GameDay in the pit. PHOTOS BY LEE BISHOP

Right after Chris Fowler chose the Razorbacks to beat out Tennessee, in GameDay tradition, Lee Corso pulled Big Red's head and put it on. At the end of the two-hour show, fans waited for the final prediction for the Hog and Vol matchup.

MEET THE 2006 HOMECOMING COURT



QUEEN: KENDALL BOLLEN

"My time at the UA has meant the world to me. I am so fortunate to have so many amazing experiences that will forever be a part of who I am."



TINA FLETCHER

"My favorite quote is, 'Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree' by the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr."



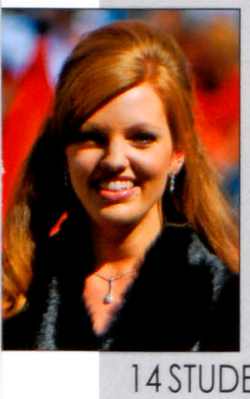
BRONZE HILL

"I have to say that there is nothing like a Razorback fan. I am definitely one of them, and being nominated for the Homecoming Court definitely makes the feeling even sweeter."



EMILY STRIEGLER

"I love Razorback football and I am honored to even be considered for the Homecoming Court. I like to read the sports section of the newspaper everyday, and I am known to spout random statistics."



ALLISON WALDRIP

"I think it is very important that the women who are selected to be on Homecoming Court are involved on campus, excel in the classroom and are looked up to by their fellow students."

Living the LEGACY of Razorback Homecoming

HOMECOMING BRINGS OUT RAZORBACK SPIRIT ACROSS CAMPUS



Members of Beta Upsilon Chi perform during the Alpha Kappa Alpha Unity Step Show. The show included routines from all UA fraternities and sororities. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS

Students cheer for the Hogs during the Homecoming parade on Oct. 13. The parade went down Dickson Street and included floats from residence halls and Greek houses. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL







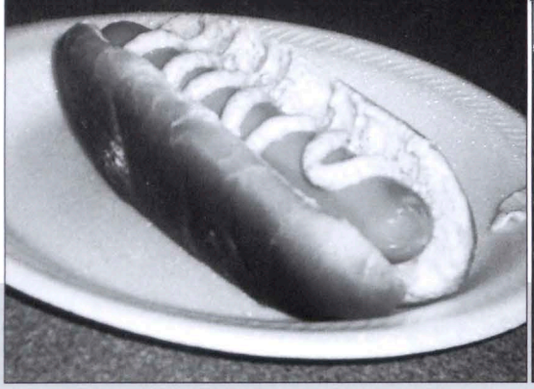




Left: Members of Delta Delta Delta sorority gather outside their sorority house Friday, Oct. 13 for the Sty'Lize Your Lawn competition. Both residence halls and Greek houses competed in the event. PHOTO BY ROBYN CLOUD

Above: Chancellor John White crowns Kendall Bollen 2006 Homecoming Queen during halftime at the Oct. 14 game. Bollen was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL

Students cheer on their friends in the Alpha Kappa Alpha Unity Step Show, Oct. 13. Pi Beta Phi sorority walked away with the victory and the trophy. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS







MONDAY

Homecoming week kicked off Oct. 9 with "Hot Dogs for Homecoming." Students could drop by the Union lawn from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and enjoy free hot dogs and cokes.

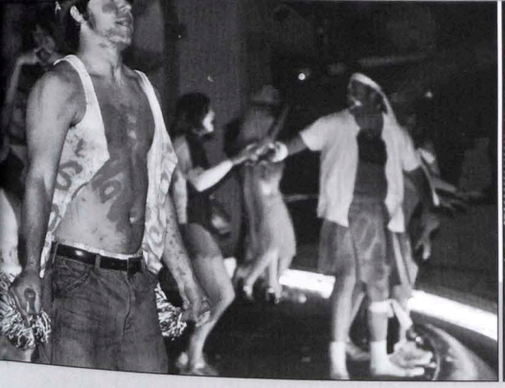
TUESDAY

Tuesday's Homecoming activities included the Pig Skin Classic Flag Football tournament, the "Raze Your Pride" banner competition, in which Greek houses and residence halls created and hung spirited banners, and the 1st Annual Homecoming Cook-off at the Gardens. The event was open to all student organizations.

WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday students could walk through the Union and vote for their favorite hog in the 1st annual Hog'n the Hill: Create-a-Hog Contest. Participating groups used a variety of materials, from paint to paper to plastic, to construct a prize-winning Razorback. The day concluded with the University Programs talent show.









THURSDAY

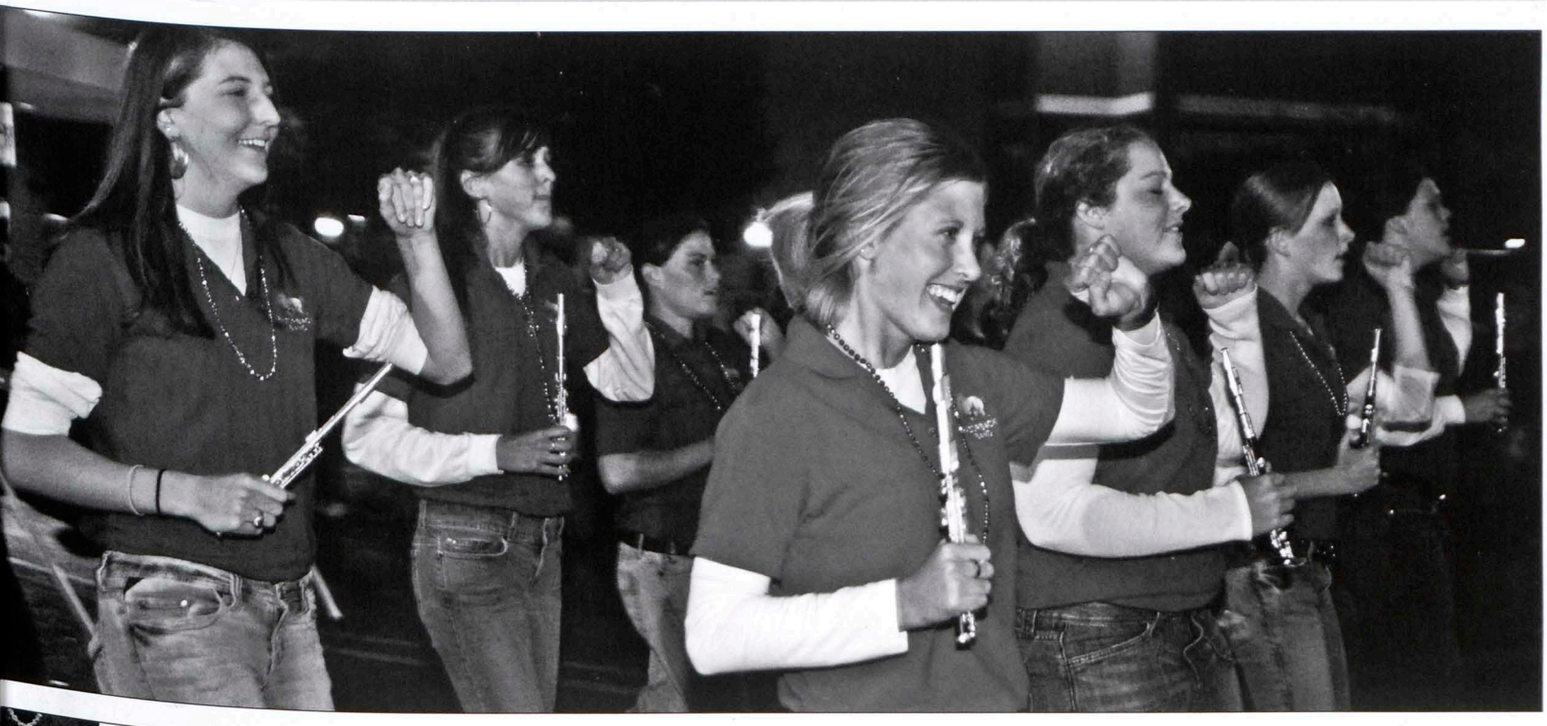
Voting for the Create-a-Hog Contest continued on Thursday in the Union Connections Lounge. Thursday evening brought students to the Pig Pen Party at the Chi Omega Greek Theater. The party featured the Rowdy Fan contest, the Pig Out contest and live music by Barrett Baber.

FRIDAY

Friday was packed with activities, including the Calling All Hogs Golf tournament, the Sty'Lize Your Lawn competition, the Alpha Kappa Alpha Unity Step Show, the Homecoming Parade, the Homecoming Pep Rally, and a Friday Night Live called Hog Homecoming.

SATURDAY

Saturday concluded the week's festivities, as the Razorbacks crushed Southeast Missouri State Redhawks with a score of 63-7. The final Homecoming event was the NPHC Homecoming Step Show at 7 p.m.





Opposite page: A student takes a moment to check out the entries in the first annual Create-a-Hog contest. Participants created Hogs from various materials, and the entries were on display in the Union so students could vote for their favorite. PHOTO BY GIGI HOLDER

Left: Kim Murray spray paints a Hog as she works on the Northwest Quad's Homecoming float. Residence halls and Greek houses constructed floats for the parade down Dickson Street. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN

Above: Members of the Razorback Marching Band march down Dickson Street during the Homecoming parade, Friday Oct. 13. UA students lined the street to cheer on the Hogs, see the floats and receive the candy and beads thrown to the crowd. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL

New Construction SHAPES the Face of Campus

NEW STRUCTURES BRING NEW LOOK TO A CHANGING UNIVERSITY

BY MEGAN GARNER

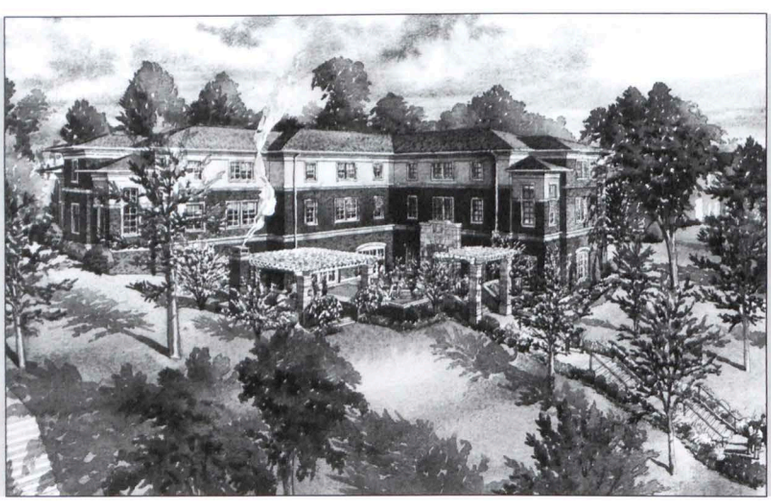
With growing numbers of UA students and growing funds from the Campaign for the 21st Century, the UA worked throughout the year to renovate and update the face of its campus. The university continued work on previous projects such as the construction of Willard J. Walker Hall, the Center for Academic Excellence, John McDonnell Field, additions to the Law School, renovations to the Lewis J. Epley band building, renovations in the chemistry building and the restoration of the exterior of Old Main. In addition to these projects, the university planned and began many new ones, including the construction of Fowler House, the Sigma Nu fraternity house, Maple Hill residence hall, the Alpha Omicron Pi sorority house and a renovation of the Lady'Back Yard softball field.

SIGMA NU

On April 5, 2006 the ground-breaking ceremony for the Sigma Nu fraternity house took place. The site was located on Stadium Drive, between Walton Hall and the Phi Delta Theta house. The house was slated to be completed in the summer of 2007. Funds for the construction came from a variety of sources, $1.6 million of a $7.6 million gift to the Campaign for the 21st century from Don Tyson and his family. The project was under the direction of Treanor Architects with Wittenberg Delony and Davidson Architects, and Milestone Construction.

FOWLER HOUSE

After receiving a $1.75 million donation from Wallace and Jama Fowler of Jonesboro, the UA announced the start of construction on the Fowler House, a university chancellor's residence on the corner of Razorback Road and Maple Street. "The Fowler House will be the front door to the university, and serve as a gathering place for students, faculty, alumni and university officials," UA President Alan Sugg said. The project was under the direction of Polk Stanley Rowland Cursor Porter Architects, Ltd, and Flintco Inc. Contractors.







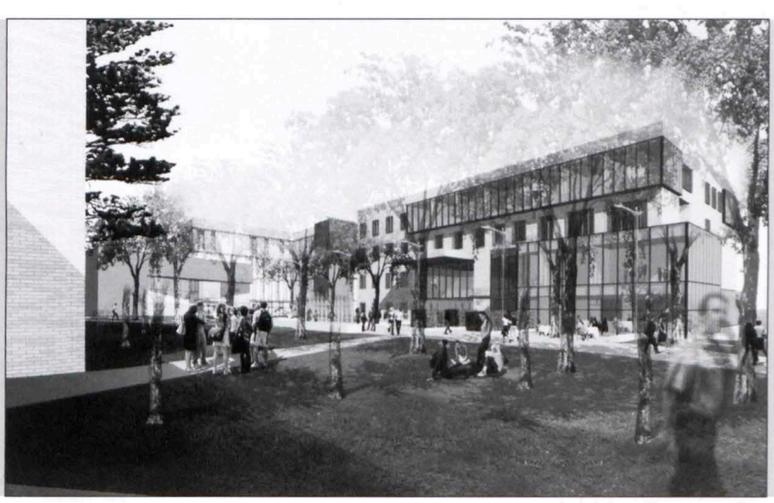
MAPLE HILL

Construction began in 2006 on a new dormitory to accommodate the growing number of students. Maple Hill residence hall will accommodate 709 students in suite-style rooms. The hall will have amenities like a fireplace lounge and kitchenettes on each floor. Construction was expected to finish in July 2007, with new students moving into the hall in August. The project was under the direction of Hanbury Evans Wright Viattas with Witsell Evans Rasco and Amirmoez Foster Halley Johnson Architects, and CDI Inc. Contractors.

WALKER HALL

To accommodate increasing enrollment, Walton College constructed a new graduate building, Willard J. Walker Hall. The building was made possible through an $8 million gift from the Willard J. Walker family and will be named for Walker, in honor of his success in retail management as an exceptional business leader. The 77,000-square-foot building will feature state-of-the-art classrooms and student learning spaces. The project was under the direction of Machado and Silvetti Associates Inc. of Boston and Allison Architects Inc. of Little Rock.





Rapes on Campus RAISE Safety Issues

UAPD INCREASES ACTIVITY TO PREVENT CRIME ON CAMPUS

BY KEVIN ESTES

Campus safety became a hot topic this year, as the semester began with a series of rapes across campus and the release of a police sketch during the first week of school. Parents, students, the UAPD and university administrators were concerned for the safety of those in the UA community, and throughout the year efforts to ensure that safety were on the rise.

Female students were especially aware of the need for personal safety in the wake of three rapes that took place during the summer and an increase in acquaintance rapes throughout the school year. A rape was reported near the construction area of the new Leflar Law Center July 18. A woman was reportedly dragged behind a building and raped by an unknown man. A sketch of the man was released in order to heighten students awareness as well as promote campus safety.

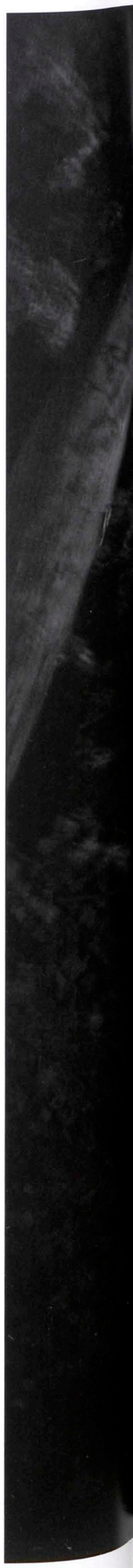
UAPD also offered a women's self-defense course called RAD, or Rape Aggression Defense. They sponsored and supervised a free service called Razorback Patrol, where student volunteers escorted other students during the hours of 6:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. UAPD officers took over the responsibility after 12:30 a.m.

The UAPD also increased the number of officers on duty for the first week, with officers on patrol on foot, in cars, on bicycles and on the new Segway scooters. In addition to these measures, the UA held a campus safety forum Sept. 9 in order to inform students about an increase of safety measures on campus and provided a setting in which students concerns could be heard.

"When you can't feel safe at the university, how are you expected to study?" said Daniel Pugh, associate dean of students. "How are you expected to eat? How are you expected to sleep?"

In addition to the increased police presence, the self-defense course and the safety forum, Steve Gahagans, associate director of UAPD, encouraged students to travel in groups, use the Razorback Patrol, walk in well-lighted areas, be aware of the emergency phones around campus and to "just listen to their instincts."

"I think this is a safe campus," Gahagans said. "My son goes to school here, and I feel very confident telling him it is a safe campus."



According to the UAPD, it is not advised for students to walk alone at night. However many were willing to take the risk in order to get where they needed to be. Regardless of where you were or who you were with, UAPD always recommended walking in well-lit areas. PHOTO BY ROBYN CLOUD



A sign displayed on a campus crosswalk helps drivers be aware of pedestrians crossing the street. The university paid about $250 per sign to place in the middle of 21 crosswalks after several students were injured last year. PHOTO BY KEVIN ESTES

Hog Fans RALLY in Razorback Nation

RECORD NUMBERS OF HOG FANS FLOOD FAYETTEVILLE FOR SEASON OPENER

BY JEFF HOBSON AND MEGAN GARNER

As the adage says, revenge is a dish best served cold. And after giving up more points in any Razorback game since the World War I era to the USC Trojans in 2005, the Razorbacks were embarrassed and looked to take retribution on the Trojans on their own home turf.

The season opener was scheduled for Sept. 2, and in the weeks leading up to the game, fan frenzy was intoxicating with buildup for the grudge match between the rebuilding Razorbacks and the reloading Trojans reaching heights not seen since the 1969 big shootout between the then number one Texas Longhorns and the number two Razorbacks.

Ticket sales reflected the building anticipation, as Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium sold all 72,000 tickets for the game. Tickets were sold out by Aug. 25, only five days after classes started. The game marked only the third time Razorback Stadium had sold out since its expansion in 2001. Following the sellout, the university added 7,300 seats to the south end zone to accommodate the rising numbers of hog-wild fans planning to attend. In the end, the game brought together the largest congregation of Razorbacks to witness the Hogs play in Arkansas as 76,564 screaming fans filed into Razorback Stadium to make for one of the most electric atmospheres in Razorback history.

Seasoned student veterans began camping out in front of the stadium's student entrance as early as the Tuesday before the game, in order to secure front row seats. Tents, sleeping bags and lawn chairs lined Stadium Drive as more and more students braved the elements for the chance to watch the Hogs up close.

But even with record numbers of Hog fans cheering them on, the Razorbacks were disappointed in their quest for revenge. The loss of star running back Darren McFadden, who was battling an off-the-field injury, was a crippling blow to the Hogs, as well as the numerous questions at the quarterback position.

And while the Hogs didn't bring home the bacon, that wouldn't stop the thousands of relentless Razorback fans from pouring into Fayetteville time and time again to call those Hogs and cheer them on to an amazing season.







Opposite page, left to right: Students display signs outside their tents as they camp out for prime seats. Students displayed their spirit from the start, painting their faces, stomachs and entire torsos. PHOTOS BY BO COUNTS AND DARREN MCNEILL

Thousands of fans greet the USC Trojans with a rousing Hog call. The season opener brought so many fans to Fayetteville that Razorback Stadium sold out by the end of the first week of school. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL

This Little PIGGY Went to Fayetteville

LIVE MASCOT LEADS HOGS TO VICTORY IN RAZORBACK STADIUM

BY MEGAN GARNER

Most people are familiar with the red running Razorback that can be found across the state of Arkansas, adorning everything from hats to shirts to license plates. But some students, like senior Reece Bailey, got hands-on experience with a different kind of Razorback. A living, breathing, snorting one.

Tusk II, a 450-pound Russian boar, served as the live Razorback mascot for the UA, which has had a live mascot tradition since the 1960s. Tusk is the closest living resemblance of a real Razorback, a moniker given to the lean, ill-tempered beasts that roamed the Arkansas countryside in the early 1900s. These animals are said to only exist today in the Australian Outback.

Tusk was close enough to a Razorback for Hog fans though, who welcomed the boar's entrance into Razorback stadium with a heartfelt hog call. Tusk was driven into the stadium before every game in his own piggy palace, which also brought the cheerleaders and mascots into the stadium. Tusk and his entourage circled the entire stadium, rallying Razorback support and getting the crowd ready to cheer for the Hogs on the field.

Bailey and his fellow Alpha Gamma Rho members were the official caretakers of Tusk, and before Tusk's permanent home was relocated this year, used to enjoy the duty of loading Tusk into a truck the night before the game, bathing him and escorting him to the game the next day.

"Loading him was fun," Bailey said. "Sometimes he would get after you. It was nothing serious, but he's definitely a Razorback."

Bailey served as the driver of "the Tusk truck" for two and a half years, a position he volunteered for and was proud to hold.

"I thought it would be a neat experience," Bailey said with a smile. "You learn a lot, and it has been a great experience."

In addition to Tusk, there were several uniformed mascots, including the original Big Red, Pork Chop and a crowd favorite, the nine-foot tall inflatable Boss Hog. But for Bailey and others, Tusk brought something unique to Razorback players and fans.

"I think having a live mascot adds something," Bailey said. "It's an intangible, until you have a live animal. It really adds to the tradition."





Tusk II waits in his pig pen for his chance to escort the cheerleaders into Razorback Stadium. The live mascot has been a tradition at UA since the 1960s. PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL



REMARKABLE RAZORBACKS: A FEW HOGS WHO KNOW HOW TO RAISE A RUCKUS

BIG RED III

In the summer of 1977, Big Red III escaped from an animal exhibit near Eureka Springs. The rowdy razorback then ravaged the countryside before an irate farmer gunned him down.

RAGNAR

Ragnar was a wild hog captured in Southern Arkansas by Leola farmer Bill Robinson. Ragnar killed a coyote, a 450-pound domestic pig and seven rattlesnakes. Ragnar died in 1978 of unknown causes.

TUSK II

A 450-pound Russian boar, Tusk was the closest living resemblance of a true Razorback. One of three sons of Tusk I, the current mascot and his entourage brought the cheerleaders and mascots into the stadium at every home game.



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The Big PICTURE Show

CHEAP ADMISSION AND CONCESSIONS BRING STUDENTS TO THE DRIVE-IN

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

While day is settling into dusk, adults and children were settling into the 112 Drive-In. Kids were already squealing with delight as they ran around the playground - without the ordinary constraints of an indoor movie theater - while their parents dutifully set up blankets and lawn chairs. Carloads of students and couples drove past the old-time marquee for the double feature showings.

Drive-ins slowly gained steam throughout the 1940s, particularly towards the end of the decade when the baby boom hit and many children were looking for something to do. To keep this new market enticed and entertained, many businesses built playgrounds and some even went so far as to add pony rides, boat rides and miniature golf around the projection screens.

Drive-ins were deeply nostalgic and an American alternative to the national chain theaters. Fayetteville's 112 Drive-in was one of the dwindling number of drive-in theaters left in the United States. At the height of their popularity back in the 1950s, Arkansas acquired more than 50 drive-in theaters but only three remain today in Marshall, Mountain View and Fayetteville.

Currently, the U.S. has nearly 1,000 abandoned drive-ins. Four states lack the novelty completely and 82 percent of drive-ins have closed or been demolished.

"We try to be more family focused at 112," said owner John Terry. "The great thing about working here is the repeat customers who keep coming back. We get people who pull up to the ticket window and ask us 'what's playing.' They just come for the drive-in experience."

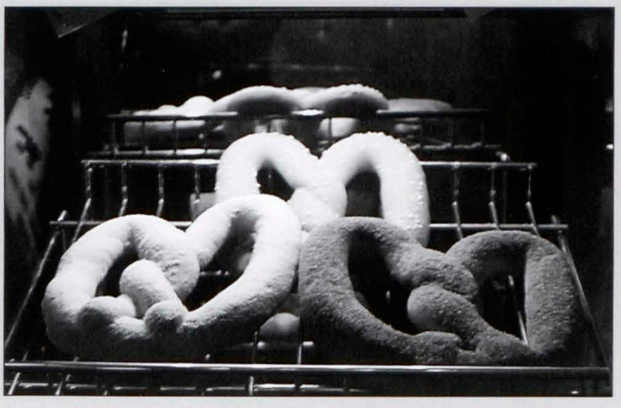
The drive-in kept packing customers by charging $10 per car and offering the old time menu of cheese fries, hot chili dogs, and buttery popcorn. The single screen showed double features on the weekends through mid-March and mid-November but saw the most crowds in the warm summer nights.

"We usually try to put a family film on the screen," he said. "While we reserve the other feature for films that appeal more to college students.

"You get people of all ages. You get your regulars, and you've even got the people who used to come when they were young and now come with their kids."

As multiplexes multiplied, and as screen sizes continued to shrink, drive-in theatres offer a nostalgic alternative and also a greater value for the dollar.





Popcorn, soft pretzels and hot dogs were favorites at the 112 Drive-In concession stand. As with most drive-in theaters, cheap concessions kept the big screens in business.

The men of Phi Delta Theta welcome their new pledge class on Old Main Lawn. Phi Delt was one of the largest fraternities on campus and continued to succeed in recruitment with large pledge numbers each fall. PHOTO BY GIGI HOLDER.

Opposite page, left to right: The fall pledge class of Kappa Delta poses for a picture on the Kappa Delta house lawn.
All smiles as freshman Katie Miller takes her first picture as a pledge of Pi Beta Phi. COURTESY PHOTOS



WANTED ...FOR... RECRUITMENT

RUSH CHAIR'S PERSPECTIVE

PI BETA PHI

"Recruitment is the time when you choose the girls who will carry on your legacy, so it's an important part of sorority life. I just wanted to not only do my part, but I wanted to do something that would help our house even after I'm gone. I loved the experience because I got to spend time with the younger girls." -Kristi Hunter

PI KAPPA ALPHA

"We look for men that have character, namely the qualities of a gentlemen: charisma, integrity, motivated, considerate. It is also vital that the men are smart, because if they fail to succeed in school, then there is no way for them to leave their mark on our fraternity." -Jake Jones

KAPPA DELTA

"The main thing that we try t
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Record Numbers RUSH to Join Greek Life

GREEK LIFE HAS SUCCESSFUL RUSH WITH HIGHEST NUMBERS EVER

BY BRANDON EDWARDS

Oct. 4-8 marked history in UA Greek life. Interfraternity Council men's fall recruitment had its highest numbers ever with 520 men signed up for recruitment.

"Numbers really are what set this year apart," Parice Tyler, Associate Director of Greek Life said. "We are really excited about making history this year. We've worked really hard and are so proud of the work our guys have put into this."

Aside from numbers, IFC recruitment also started a pre-recruitment study hall for men interested.

"We had an open Greek study hall every Wednesday in the Union. This wasn't a required event but we did strongly encourage anyone wanting to go through rush to attend."

"We wanted to provide them study help and although the event was not required we had a good turn out," Tyler said.

The increasing numbers in recruitment and newly added study hall were claimed to be a result of the new delayed recruitment.

"Delayed rush process has helped numbers increase tremendously. Delaying the rush process gives men the opportunity to reach out to guys who would have never thought about joining a fraternity. They get a chance to see what Greek life is like before rush and see that there's more to it than the parties," Tyler said.

Oct. 2 there was an orientation for all potential new members (PNMs) where all questions were answered and they were given an idea of what to expect during recruitment.

Oct. 4 and 5 were considered "round one" which consisted of six parties per night and gave each PNM an opportunity to go to every house. After they chose which houses they wanted to go back to and fraternities make their choices, the PNMs that wanted to return began round two.

Round three, otherwise known as "Pref Night," consisted of three one-hour parties, afterwards PNMs ranked their remaining options in order from one to three. Then, on Sunday Oct. 8 they all went to Old Main Lawn where their group leader, or Rho Chi, gave them an envelope saying which fraternity extended them a bid. Afterwards, the new pledges gathered with their individual fraternities and went to a recreation activity.

"If UA men are looking for rich tradition, opportunities to lead by example in service for others then we want them to be a part of Greek life," Tyler said.





Arrest Numbers on the RISE for DWI Offenders

UNIVERSITY POLICE CRACK DOWN ON DWI LAWS TO PREVENT STUDENT INCIDENTS

BY NATALIE MORRISON

Over the past three years DWI arrests have increased on the UA campus and the arrests for driving while intoxicated was a concern for the entire UA community.

According to Arkansas law, it was illegal for a driver to have a blood alcohol content (BAC) of over .08 percent. Blood alcohol levels were determined by breathalyzers, blood analyses or urine analyses.

Lt. Gary Crain of UAPD said no matter how many times people hear that they should not drink and drive they do it anyway. "It's been said over and over but people still put themselves and others in danger," said Lt. Crain. "And not just students but adults as well."

In the most recent crime statistics report from the university there were five DWI and DUI incidents from the past three years that occurred in non-campus locations. The report also cited 42 incidents of DWI and DUI arrests in public property areas of the university. According to the UA campus security policy, UAPD enforces all state and local liquor laws, including those for underage drinkers. Violations of such laws can lead to legal trouble as well as trouble with the university.

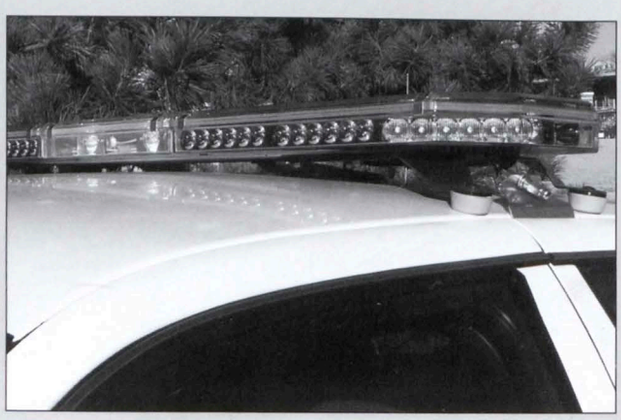
Consequences often depended on the severity of the violation, but they were most likely jail time and community service sentences. In addition, violators had their license revoked or suspended. Arkansas law also provided that some offenders of the DUI law receive an Ignition Interlock Device in their car which can test the BAC of the driver and deny ignition if the level of alcohol in the driver's blood is above .02 percent.

According to the information brochures provided by UAPD there were 560,000 people in the United States that were injured each year in alcohol related car crashes.

The university sponsored programs such as Alcohol Awareness Week, to remind and inform students of the dangers of alcohol and to promote a safe and healthy college experience and future lifestyle. Lt. Crain said his advice to students was to, "always think ahead and choose a driver before you leave the house."

"With a little planning, a lot of accidents can be avoided," Crain said.





Opposite page left to right: Drink specials on Dickson Street proved too hard to pass up for some students. UAPD made 44 arrests for DWI offenses in the past three years. The majority occurred on public property of the university. PHOTOS BY CAROLYN FINNIE AND MEGAN GARNER

Driving while Intoxicated ended up costing most offenders. Those who broke the law faced jail time, community service, a revoked license or even an Ignition Interlock Device on a car. PHOTO BY MEGAN GARNER



CAMPUS CRIME REPORTS AND STATS

ENFORCEMENT

UAPD enforced all state and local liquor laws, including those for underage drinkers. Possession and use of intoxicants in public areas of university facilities and at official university functions held on campus was prohibited. UAPD worked with federal agencies when needed to enforce federal laws.

FAPD ARRESTS

FAPD made 13 arrests for DWI/DUI offenses in the past three years

DWI/DUI
Campus: 0
Non-Campus: 3
Public Property: 10
Residence Hall: 0

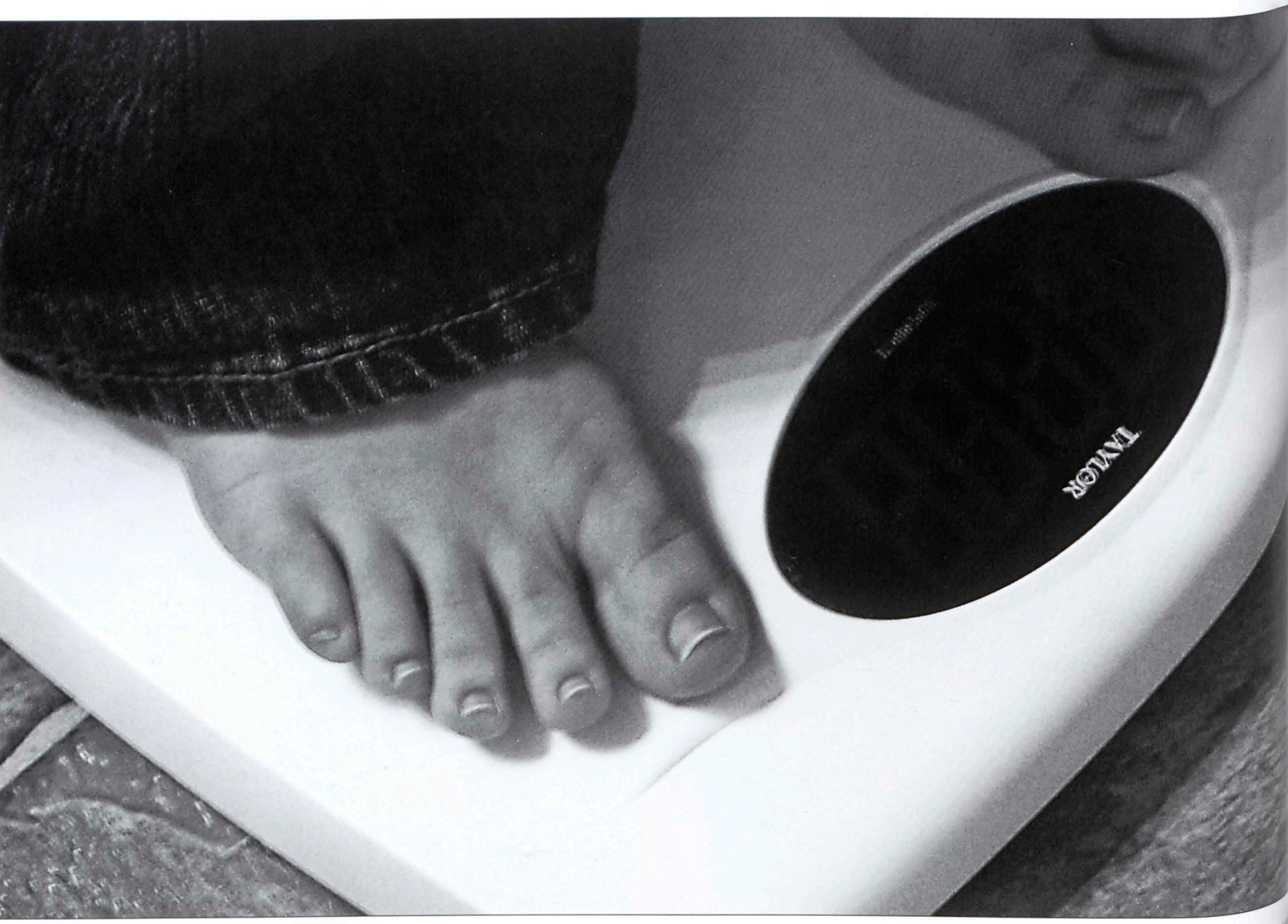
UAPD ARRESTS

UAPD made 44 arrests for DWI/DUI offenses in the past three years.

DWI/DUI
Campus: 6
Non-Campus: 1
Public Property: 37
Residence Hall: 0

Students monitor their weight on scales to help maintain and put it in perspective. Many factors contributed to the freshman 15 weight gain but students also found resources to maintain a healthy lifestyle. PHOTO BY CAROLYN FINNIE

Opposite page: With endless opportunities to give in to the urge to scarf down chips, a candy bar or cinnamon roll, students found it easy to use their flex dollars to pick up a quick snack between classes without thinking of the impact on their wallet or their waist line. PHOTOS BY ERIKA SIMMONS



TIPS FOR MAINTAINING A HEALTHY WEIGHT

PLAN

Plan meals, study snacks and exercise times ahead of time. Write down a list every week of your goals in these categories and when you can fulfill them. Keep healthy food like fruits, vegetables and granola bars in the dorm room.

EXERCISE

Establish a practical exercise routine and make it part of a daily schedule. Attend exercise classes at the HPER and opt to walk to your car instead of riding the bus.

WATCH IT

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Freshmen BATTLE the Bulge

STUDENTS TAKE MEASURES TO PUT DOWN THE SECOND SLICE OF PIZZA

BY COURTNEY CAMPBELL

Every student has heard rumors of the dreaded "freshmen 15." On average men gained six pounds and women gained four and a half pounds during their first year of college, according to a multi-year study by researchers at Tufts University. Weight gain was generally caused by a number of factors present on college campuses.

Freshmen on campus found the dining halls to be an "all you can eat version" of heaven. Students were free to eat whenever and whatever they desired. Students could find pizza, chocolate cake and hamburgers on the menu just about everyday, along with the vegetables that some students mostly ignored.

One of the main pleasures new students miss out on when they came to the university was the quality of home-cooked meals. Without mom's supervision many students made a meal out of french fries and ice cream. Late night studies brought to one by candy and caffeinated drinks also contributed to weight gain.

Another major cause of weight gain was alcohol consumption. There were more opportunities to consume beer and hard liquor on a college campus. The calories in beer were enough to easily add 15 pounds to any heavy drinker.

It was natural to gain some weight when students leave home and try to settle in to a completely different environment. Anxiety, homesickness and stress could contribute to the extra weight. Most freshmen who gained the "15" would lose it by their sophomore year; however, too much weight gain causes health problems, such as high blood pressure and fatigue.

Those students that were against gaining any weight found that the best way to avoid weight gain was to eat healthy and exercise. Students found that the HPER provided a great place to workout, run, play intramural sports and take free classes such as pilates and boot camp to help fight the freshmen 15. Students also used The Pat Walker Health Center as a resource for information on how to live a healthy lifestyle. The center offered many services to interested students. An on-staff nutritionist was available to help plan a diet, offer advice and help students gather the information needed to take on any body challenge, all free of charge to UA students.





A New TRADITION in the Making

THE GARDENS PROVIDE NEW TAILGATING AREA FOR FANS

BY JEFF HOBSON

Football in the SEC was not just a game as anyone from the South could testify. Saturdays began early as fans and families began their game day preparations shortly after dawn, setting up tents and tables in anticipation of the upcoming gridiron battle between the goliaths of the SEC.

At Ole Miss, the Grove remained a sacred tradition where the blue-blooded Southern aristocracy dined on fine china under the shade of century old trees. The saying goes in Oxford "We might lose a game, but we will never lose a party," but with the construction of the Gardens on the UA campus, Hog fans might be able to give the Rebels a run for their money.

The newly built area on the south side of campus where parts of Carlson Terrace once stood was home to tailgating and pre-game festivities that rivaled that of any SEC power. Containing gazebos and reserved spots for tailgaters, the Gardens offered amenities that many other tailgating locales lacked. With private bathrooms, reserved parking and cover from the elements, the Gardens made for an ideal place to revel in the game day atmosphere.

"It's really cool," said Whitney Haynes, senior international relations major. "It is such a great place to get ready for the game."

With live bands entertaining the revelers, the fun lasted for hours, as dedicated fans arrived outside the gates at 8 a.m. on game day.

"I have never witnessed anything like this," said Nicole North, an out-of-town visitor from Memphis. "I've been to soccer games in Italy and England and have never seen an atmosphere quite like this."

While the atmosphere was costly for those with reserved spaces for their trucks and party space at $500, any Razorback fan could walk in off the street and grab a spot under the many trees that populated the Gardens at no cost.

At the center of it all, atop a stone platform surrounded by lights was a specially commissioned statue depicting a Razorback mounting a rock in triumph. The statue was unveiled by Arkansas legends and alumni Jerry Jones, Jim Lindsey, Chancellor John White and Athletic Director Frank Broyles Saturday, Sept. 2. Perhaps a new tradition was born on the inaugural day as hundreds of fans stroked the Razorback on the rock in hopes of bringing luck to the Razorbacks on the field.





Famous alumni Jim Lindsey, Frank Broyles and Jerry Jones call the Hogs after the unveiling of the hog statue in the middle of the Gardens. The statue features a Razorback mounting a rock in victory. PHOTO BY PAMELA ACOSTA

Opposite page left to right: During Homecoming week, students and alumni participate in the first cook-off held at the Gardens.
Tents and grills fill the Gardens before the season opener against Southern California. PHOTOS BY DARREN McNEILL



GARDENS TAILGATING RECIPES

SALSA

3 Roma tomatoes
3 Jalapeno peppers
2 Serrano peppers
1 tsp. Salt
2 tsp. White vinegar
1/2 tsp. Cumin
1(14 1/2) oz. can diced tomatoes
Juice of 1/2 lime
1/2 cup fresh cilantro
1 large clove garlic

Chop peppers and tomatoes in a food processor. Add remaining ingredients and refrigerate. Serve with a variety of chips.

HAMBURGERS

Ingredients: Hamburger meat, bacon, cheese, pickles, onion, tomato, lettuce, ketchup, mustard and mayonnaise. Directions: Divide each pound of hamburger into eight thin patties. Fry the bacon until crisp. Place bacon slices and a cheese slice on one thin patty top with another patty. Press edges to seal. Cook on grill and season with your favorite seasoning.

SHRIMP, POTATOES & CORN

Bring 3 gallons of salted water to a boil. Add 2 bags of Zatarain's Crawfish, Shrimp & Crab Boil. Add ears of corn and small potatoes. Bring back to a boil and cook for 15 minutes.
Turn off heat and let sit 10 minutes. Remove corn and potatoes. Bring water back to a boil and add shrimp. Cook about five minutes.

Facebook FEEDS

Appetite for Information

UA STUDENTS JOIN 14 MILLION OTHER USERS LOGGING ONTO FACEBOOK

BY DANA HUGGINS

Take a quick glance around any computer lab on campus and you will see that many of the students are logged on to facebook.com, the Internet phenomenon that gives college students yet another reason to spend time online.

When it began, it was a much more simplified version than currently exists. The messaging, poking, groups and wall posts were there from the beginning, though it is still uncertain exactly what a "poke" means. The site grew, and began taking suggestions from users, adding photo albums, notes, events and the ability to share videos.

But the most notable change to Facebook was the addition of the News Feed, which listed changes that members made to their profile. It announced relationships and break-ups, showed recently uploaded photographs and publicized wall posts. When the News Feed was introduced, it was not met with open arms.

That is because the News Feed was introduced without any way to control what was shown. Immediately there were angry users sending developer Mark Zuckerberg comments letting him know how they felt. Several new groups also popped up showing their disdain for the new addition, such as "Ban the News Feed."

Zuckerberg quickly responded with an apology and a feature that allowed users to control information posted on the Feed.

Junior Cy Martin, who admits he logs on to the site about 10 times each day, wasn't too keen on the News Feed when he first saw it.

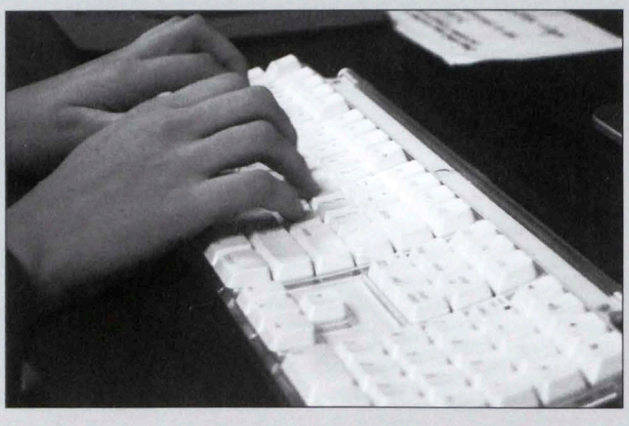
"It was bad when you couldn't control it, but I wasn't skeptical about it once they added the controls," Martin said. "Now I use it every time I get on; it's the first thing I look at after I check my messages."

Senior Seth Kleman agreed, saying he doesn't mind the News Feed.

"I think since everybody got used to it they know what people are going to see and they keep that in consideration," Kleman said.

Both students agree that Facebook was a Web site they used to keep in touch with their friends, and that they planned on using Facebook even after they graduate.

"My favorite thing about Facebook is the communication you can have with friends you don't see very often," Martin said. "It's like an improved form of e-mail because everyone has it."

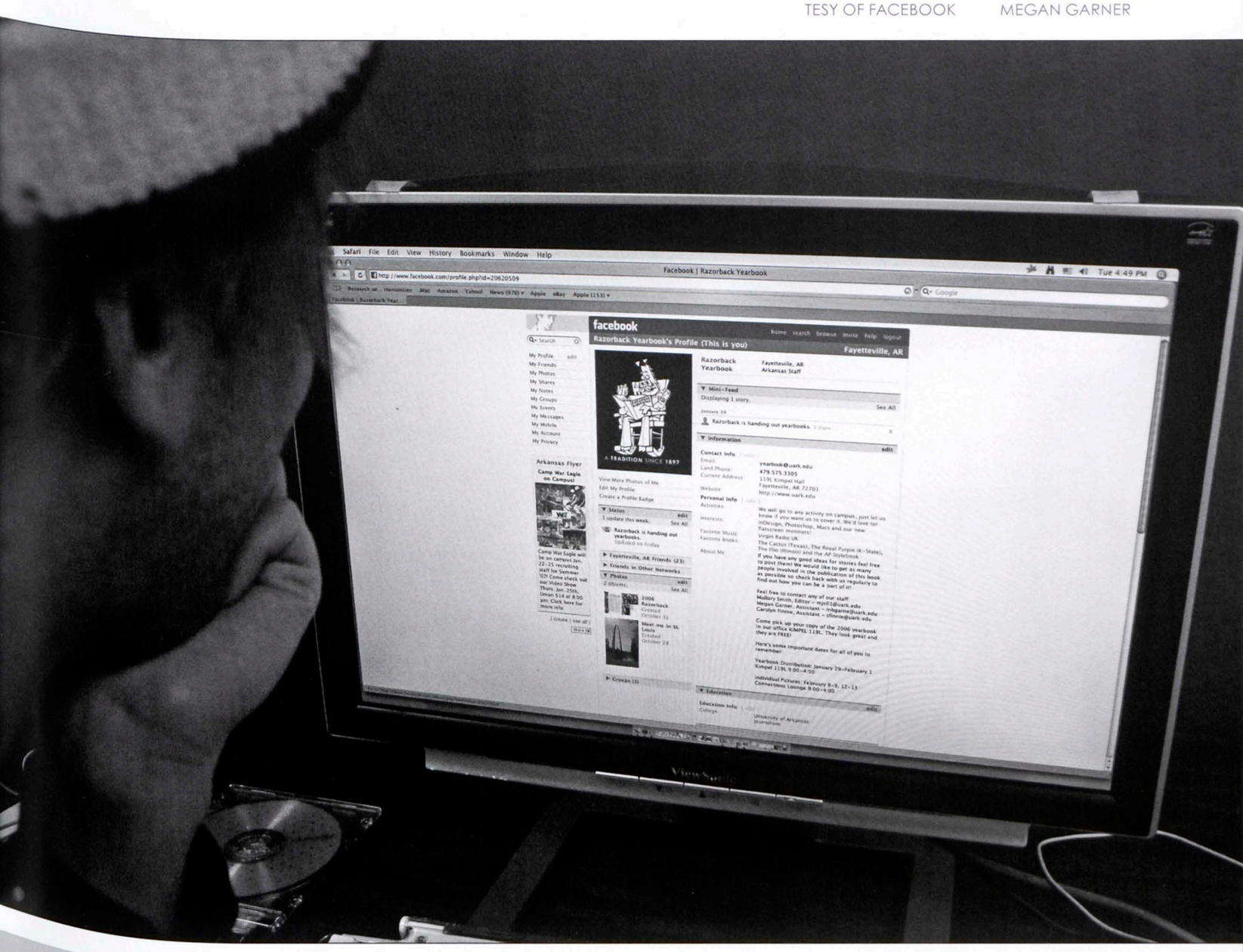




Opposite page, left to right: Facebook now has over 14 million registered users across more than 40,000 networks. PHOTO BY MEGAN GARNER

Facebook was founded by Harvard student Mark Zuckerberg. PHOTO COURTESY OF FACEBOOK

A student logs in to Facebook to update his profile, check his messages and write on a friend's wall. Since its start three years ago, the site has become the seventh-most trafficked site on the web, according to comScore. PHOTO BY MEGAN GARNER



MEMORABLE MOMENTS IN FACEBOOK HISTORY

FEBRUARY 2004

Facebook was founded as the Facebook by Harvard student Mark Zuckerberg. Within a few weeks, more than half the Harvard undergraduate population was registered on the site. By December 2004, the number of registered users exceeded one million.

SEPTEMBER 2, 2005

Zuckerberg launched a high school version of Facebook. At first, it was kept totally separate from the college version. However, on Feb. 27, 2006 Facebook began allowing college students to add high school students as friends.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2006

It was announced that Facebook would officially open to all Internet users, prompting protest from many current users. Two weeks later, on Sept. 26, Facebook opened the doors to anyone online with a valid e-mail address.

Students Get WIRED for Constant Reach

TECHNOLOGY CHANGES THE WAY STUDENTS STUDY AND INTERACT

BY NATALIE MORRISON

Just ask any older generation about the technology, or lack thereof, while they attended college. Students 10 years ago actually started research in the library card catalog rather than logging on to the Google search engine in virtually any campus building. Or try meeting up with friends on a Friday night using only landline dorm phones.

Resources such as computers, Internet search engines and e-mail improved communication and expanded students' access to information. Students had devices from laptops to palm pilots available to facilitate communication in their lives. Classes were progressively more dependent on the Internet with professors creating class Web sites for notes and announcements.

"My classes depend so much on the use of the Internet, and I think everyone has become reliant on that convenience," freshman Johanna Sawatski said.

The UA offered students various technological resources to assist with the demands of college life. The computer lab in the Union contained 74 Dell computers, and students could also access wireless Internet in the Union and Mullins among other buildings.

In addition to the computer lab, the Student Technology Center had technological equipment available to check out. Students could use laptops to assist with schoolwork and projects, or projectors and cameras for recreational use.

Technology altered entertainment for college students as well. This was evident in a device that became prevalent on college campuses, the iPod. With the capability to hold entire music libraries, these devices could be carried constantly.

In the tradition of creating revolutionary devices, Apple introduced the iPhone, a unique new device that combined a mobile phone, an iPod, and an Internet access device with a desktop for e-mail, Web browsing, maps and searching.

"The iPhone might be too much. I wouldn't know how to operate it," said Allison Newkirk, a senior apparel studies major. However, the device was likely to catch on with students.

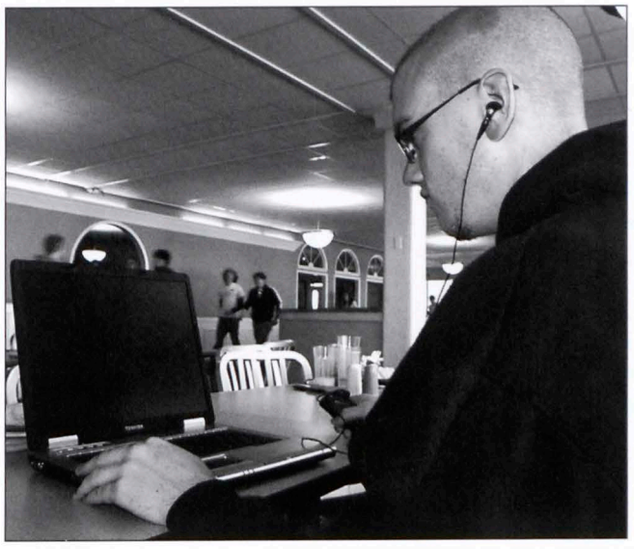
Although technology provided numerous benefits for students, it added a new dimension to academic honesty through Internet essay sites.

Diane Waryold, executive Director of Duke University's Center for Academic Integrity, said professors have to be aware of the technology that is at students' disposal because "it is safe to say our students are far more sophisticated."

Despite its dangers, technology became a solid component of the modern world. It was embedded in the process of human experience and an integral part of college life.



A student text messages a friend between classes in Brough Commons. Many students could be seen talking on their phones and sending text messages while walking to and from classes. PHOTOS BY ROBYN CLOUD



Students use computers between classes. Some students brought their laptops with them to classes, while others used the many computer labs on campus between classes to check their e-mail or Facebook accounts.



iCRAZE

UA STUDENTS ENJOY AN ARRAY OF MUSIC WITH THE CONVENIENCE OF iPODS



UA students no longer lug around gigantic 80's boom boxes or the handheld CD players that were considered hip only a few years ago. With new iPod technology, students are now able to enjoy their music with the press of a button. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS

TOP 5 SONGS

"Home" **Michael Buble**
"I'm Moving On" **Rascal Flatts**
"I'll Be" **Edwin McCain**
"9 Crimes" **Damien Rice**
"11 Memories" **O.A.R.**

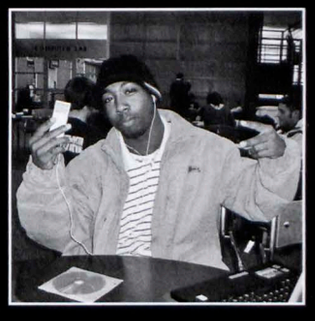
Meagan Abell, Sophomore



TOP 5 SONGS

"Stick Em Up" **Gucci Mane**
"Too Little Too Late" **JoJo**
"Sex with you" **Marques Houston**
"Deuces Up" **BG**
"Awnaw Remix" **POD and Nappy Roots**

Joel Perry, Freshman



TOP 5 SONGS

"Citrus" **The Hold Steady**
"Night Train" **Amos Lee**
"Van Occupanther" **Midlake**
"Medicine Ball" **Rogue Wave**
"The Story of our Lives" **Mind The Gap**

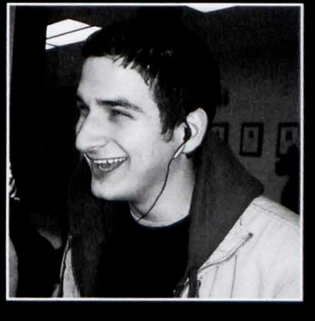
Lauren Saint, Senior



TOP 5 SONGS

"Tables and Chairs" **Andrew Byrd**
"On My Own Time" **Gym Class Heroes**
"Gimme Shelter" **Rolling Stones**
"Brian's Song" **Snack Eaters**
"Parallel or Together" **Ted Leo/Pharmacists**

Parker Davis, Senior



On the FRONT Lines

STUDENTS PUT EDUCATION ON HOLD TO SERVE THEIR COUNTRY

BY MEGAN GARNER

Sweat oozes from his skin and seeps into his faded fatigues. Driving through the sand and heat with his left hand, his right hand loosely grips his M-16, the black barrel bobbing out the window. Suddenly the crack of shots rings out through the desert. He tightens his grip on his gun, looking towards the sound though he knows he won't be able to identify the source. Turning back to the road, he speeds up a little, leaving the shots and a cloud of dust behind him. Nothing sets this skirmish apart, and it's just another day of work for senior Eric Dingler.

Dingler, a psychology major from North Little Rock, was one of many students who put their education on hold to spend time overseas, serving in the armed forces.

"I've kind of always had an interest in the Army," Dingler said. "I used to play with GI Joe and army men when I was little. After my first year of college, I just felt like I needed something different."

Dingler joined the Army National Guard in 2001, shortly before the terrorist attacks of 9/11.

"It kind of freaked me out a little bit," Dingler said. "My mom wasn't too happy at that point."

He completed his basic training and advanced individual training in the spring of his sophomore year. His plans were then to start back to school, until he got called out in January 2003. He packed his bags and flew into Kuwait, before moving into Iraq on April 28.

Dingler served as a vehicle mechanic and worked in Tikrit, a town about 140 kilometers northwest of Baghdad. There he repaired medical vehicles, as well as convoying to different areas to pick up and drop off patients. He spent 11 months in Iraq before he was finally able to return home.

"It's a really rewarding experience, coming home," he said. "You've been thinking all that time what all you want to do when you get home. I was going fishing, I was riding my bike around, all kinds of fun stuff. I enjoyed life a lot when I came home, just soaking it all up."

Even with all the fun he was having, Dingler was anxious to return to school and finish his education.

"I knew that was what I wanted to do. It made me appreciate what I had in front of me, to know that I don't want to have a military life. I had that goal in mind and it strengthened that resolve to get it done."







UA graduate Ty Harris breaks the ice with an Iraqi boy by letting him try on his helmet. "That's when I got that huge smile and it just opened up the family there to talking to me," Harris said. PHOTO COURTESY OF TY HARRIS

Some soldiers stop and set up security along the Euphrates river. UA students like Harris and Dingler had to balance their desire to serve their country with their desire to get an education. PHOTO COURTESY OF TY HARRIS

Opposite page, left to right: Senior Eric Dingler rides along in a convoy outside Baghdad.
Dingler stands outside Saddam Hussein's palace in Tikrit. Dingler served 11 months in Iraq. PHOTOS COURTESY OF ERIC DINGLER

'Til DEATH Do Us Part

STUDENTS SAYING I DO LEARN TO JUGGLE SCHOOL AND MARRIED LIFE

BY STACY RYBURN

Author Douglas Pagels describes marriage as a "beautiful journey" in which the man and wife travel hand-in-hand along life's road. However, for recently married couple Robbie Prater and Lisa Brence, that beautiful journey included tattoos, Elvis, mold and books used as projectiles along the way.

The road proved rough at times, and the couple had their share of fights. Brence, a journalism major and producer for KNWA, once threw a copy of Harry Potter at her husband during a skirmish.

"We just laugh now," Prater said. "We just don't take it seriously."

Originally from Oklahoma, Brence made weekend trips to see Prater while the two were dating. They took a rather unusual approach to courtship.

"Our dates were cheap whiskey and PBR," Prater said.

After Brence moved to Fayetteville to go to school, and after seeing Prater for two months, they moved in together to an apartment that was riddled with problems. Their bathroom flooded with sewage, Prater said, and black mold lined the walls and bookcases afterwards.

Brence felt apprehensive about living with her boyfriend after such a short time of being together. Aside from the obvious plumbing problems, she just didn't feel comfortable sometimes.

"I wouldn't use the bathroom when he was around," she said. "I was paranoid."

After two years of being together, the couple decided to tie the knot. Two years after that, they finally did.

"Finally we were like, 'let's just do it,'" Brence said. "We got fed up with planning so we just went to Vegas."

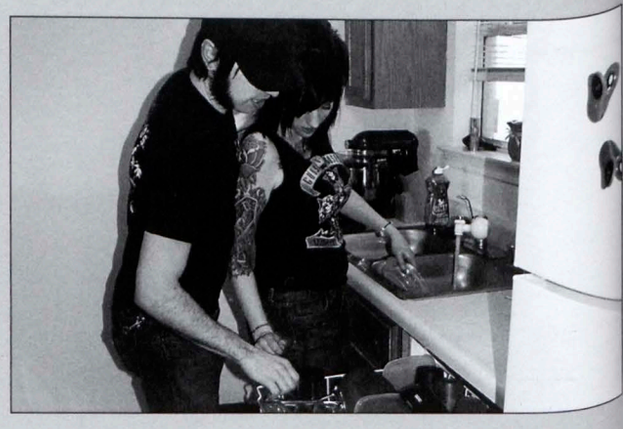
They took the ceremony to the Little Church of the West in Las Vegas, where Elvis Presley and Ann Margaret recited their vows in the 1964 film "Viva Las Vegas."

Prater hopes to return to Vegas to become a casino manager. Then, he said, the couple could potentially make arrangements for having children. For now, their two cats are enough for them to handle.

"We want to be ready financially and maturity-wise," he said. Brence agreed, wanting to wait until the couple had a house and she had moved up in her career.

"I just think it's a real mistake to marry someone you haven't been living with for a long time," she said.





Left to right: Brence and Prater, like every other couple, occasionally quarrelled as newlyweds. Brence and Prater spend time in their new kitchen. PHOTOS BY STACY RYBURN

Prater and Brence take some time to relax on the couch of their new town-house. Between class and working the couple had little time to relax so they tried to make the most of it.



Students Pile on the DEBT While Still in School

CREDIT CARDS, LOANS SEND STUDENTS INTO DEBT AT A YOUNG AGE

BY SHAUNA VO

Just charge it - words familiar to any college student who owned a credit card and opted to put tuition, books, groceries and a new pair of jeans on the card. Despite persistent warnings from family and even former graduates, students doubled their debt over the past decade.

With the growing rate of college debt, including student loans and credit cards, students grew more aware of the consequences of their spending.

"I've seen ads in the *Traveler* for credit cards and read articles about credit card debt in the newspaper and have seen pamphlets about it, but sometimes I just ignore them," said Margarette Huddleston, a senior communication disorders major. "I've got it under control."

Huddleston didn't apply for her first credit card until her junior year of college at the University of Central Arkansas. Now, she has four major credit cards that she mainly used for Christmas gifts.

As students progress through school, credit card usage swelled. In 2004, 91 percent of final-year students had a credit card compared to 42 percent of freshmen. Fifty-six percent of final-year students carried four or more cards while only 15 percent of freshmen carried that many. Final-year students carried an average balance of $2,864 while freshmen carried an average balance of $1,585, according to a Nellie Mae study.

"My balance used to stay at about $1,000, but it is a lot lower now," Huddleston said. "I always pay way above the minimum balance due," she said.

Twenty-one percent of undergraduates with credit cards reported that they pay off all cards each month, 44 percent said they made more than the minimum payment but generally carried forward a balance and 11 percent say they made less than the minimum required payment each month.

Using small increments of available credit responsibly was a great way to establish a positive credit history. Unfortunately, without being educated on the possible pitfalls associated with amassing too much debt, students learned lessons the hard way.

FACTS ...ON... DEBT

LOCALLY

For the UA main campus, the average debt of graduates in 2005 was $19,862. The proportion of graduates with debt in the same year was 50 percent of students.

-Project on Student Debt

STUDENT LOANS

In 2004, nearly two-thirds of graduates from public universities had student loans.

Debt levels for graduating seniors with student loans more than doubled from $8,000 to $17,250 over the past decade.

At public four-year institutions, 62.4 percent of graduating seniors have education debt.

Of these:

- Half have at least $15,472 in student loans
- One-fourth have at least $28,822 in student loans
- 10 percent have student debt of $32,944 or more.

-Trends in Student Aid, The College Board

CREDIT CARDS

83 percent of undergraduates attending four-year institutions had at least one credit card.

In 2004, the average credit card balance per student was $2,16 and 23 percent of them carried a balance of more than $3,000.

-Nellie Mae study, provider o higher education loans

Despite persistent warnings, students used credit cards to charge everything from groceries to clothes. In 2004, the average credit card balance per student was $2,169. PHOTO BY GIGI HOLDER



A paintball play takes aim duri practice at Pa Blank Paintb park. Members the paintball tea held regular pra tices there to ho their skills. PHOT BY STACY RYBURN

New Club Sport PAINTS the Town Red

PAINTBALL TEAM TOOK AIM AT BRINGING THEIR SPORT TO CAMPUS

BY MEGAN GARNER

He could hear the shots ringing out through the air around him. Adrenaline rushing, he checked his supply of ammo, hoping he had enough, and slowly eased his head out. Suddenly a shot whizzed past his ear, and he ducked back as he felt the shot slam into the bunker. He checked his ammo again, took a deep breath and came exploding out from behind the shelter, spraying shots at his enemies as he ran for cover. He heard their return fire slamming into the ground where just seconds ago his foot has been. He ran harder, pushing himself, before diving behind another bunker. But not before he felt enemy fire smash into his leg. He looked down, only to see a smattering of bright yellow paint seeping into his pants. "Shoot," he thought. "I've been hit."

Paintball was more than a weekend hobby for students who joined the fledgling UA paintball team. The team, which was in its second year, took the sport seriously, traveling to out-of-state conferences to compete against the top teams in the nation. They also kept rigorous practice schedules to hone their skills. But for most, practice was more fun than it was work.

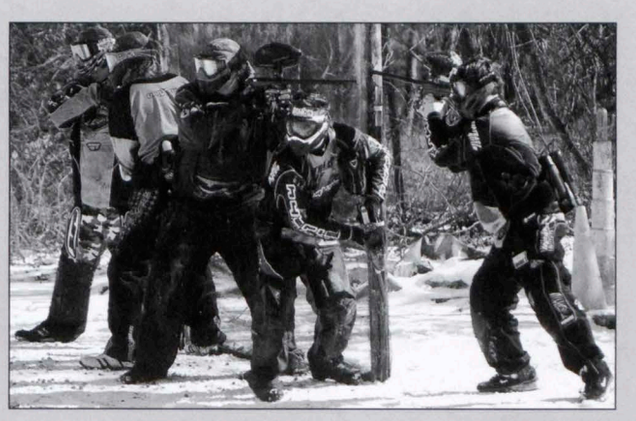
"I've always been drawn to fast-paced, changing sports," team captain Jason Marx said. "With paintball, it's constantly changing and you have to constantly adapt to everything that's changing. You come up with a general strategy but you have to instantly be able to adjust to changes and outthink them. I think that is the thing I just love about it."

Marx became involved with the team after he transferred from Arkansas Tech University his sophomore year. He started playing on the weekends with some of the founding members of the team, and soon became a regular.

The paintball team consisted of about eight to 11 people, and was divided into two groups, the more skilled of which traveled to the competitions and tournaments. However, students didn't have to be a seasoned player to join the team. Marx and his teammates welcomed everyone, whether they were serious players or just wanted to have some fun on the weekends.

"Pretty much anybody can join," Marx said. "If you want to come out and play, even if it's not on a regular basis, that's fine. We had a girl on the team last semester for about two months. But she came to practice and decided it wasn't for her. But we say skill level doesn't matter, if you want to come play, you can come play."





Left to Right: A paintball player returns enemy fire during team practice at Point Blank paintball park.
Team members huddle up for a minute behind a shelter screen during a game of paintball.

Campus Life SLOWS in the Summer

CLASSES END AND STUDENTS IN FAYETTEVILLE FIND WAYS TO PASS THE TIME

BY MALLORY SMITH

You turned in your last final exam and you and your roommates renewed the lease on your apartment. With two weeks until the start of summer school, how do you spend your two weeks of freedom?

Like other students, you likely noticed the lack of traffic around campus or enjoyed the ability to snag a spot in the parking deck at 9:00 a.m. There is no doubt that Fayetteville changes into a different city after the majority of the students leave.

"[Summer] is a nice quiet time to relax and recharge our batteries," said Jeff Massengale, manager of Common Grounds on Dickson. "More townies come out and the breakfast and lunch schedules are messed up because no one has a set schedule anymore."

Even though Dickson Street restaurants and bars were not as crowded as during the school year, they remained a popular hangout. Bars and restaurants seemed to provide a different scene for those students who stayed in town, opening their patio seating and bringing the best of Fayetteville outdoors.

"Our patio rocks all summer long," Massengale said.

Some of the students who chose to stay in Razorback Country for the summer opted to take summer classes in order to ease some of their work load during the semester, while other students needed the class credit to receive their diploma.

Classes did not occupy all of students time, leaving many with nothing to do the remainder of the day, causing many to seek jobs around town during their break from being a full-time student. For some students, being an orientation leader seemed like the perfect summer experience since they got to share their UA experience with prospective Razorbacks.

Gulley Park off Township Street served as one of the city's most utilized parks, hosting a summer concert series featuring regional talent. Also, the community pool at Wilson Park offered "Dive-In" movies on Friday nights.

After classes were over, students could be seen at parks around town enjoying the sunny summer weather, and the pool was always a place where students could beat the heat.



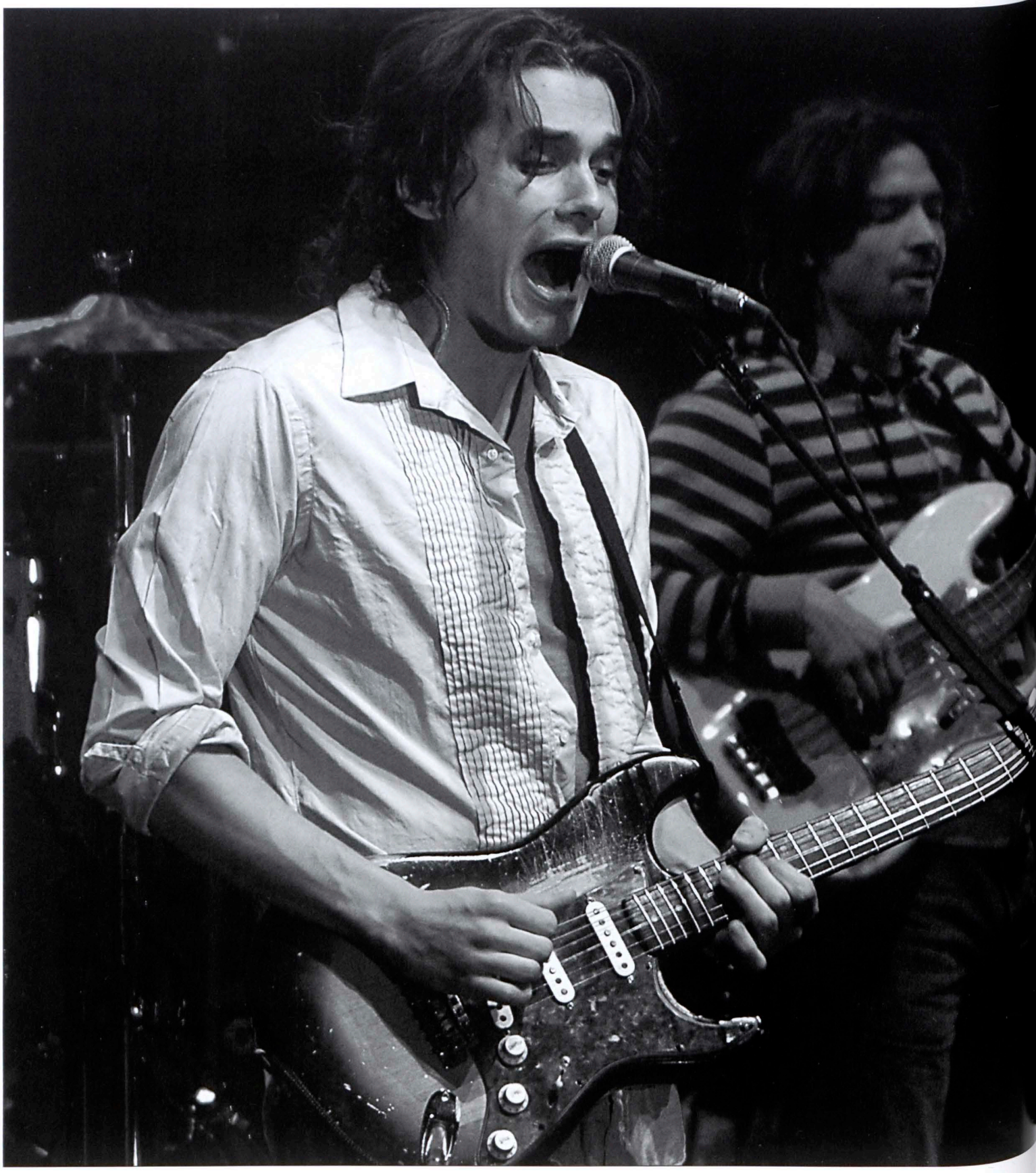
A busy walkway outside Mullins Library slows down during the summer. Students attending summer classes often found it easier to access computers and other library resources they need during the summer sessions. PHOTOS BY MALLORY SMITH

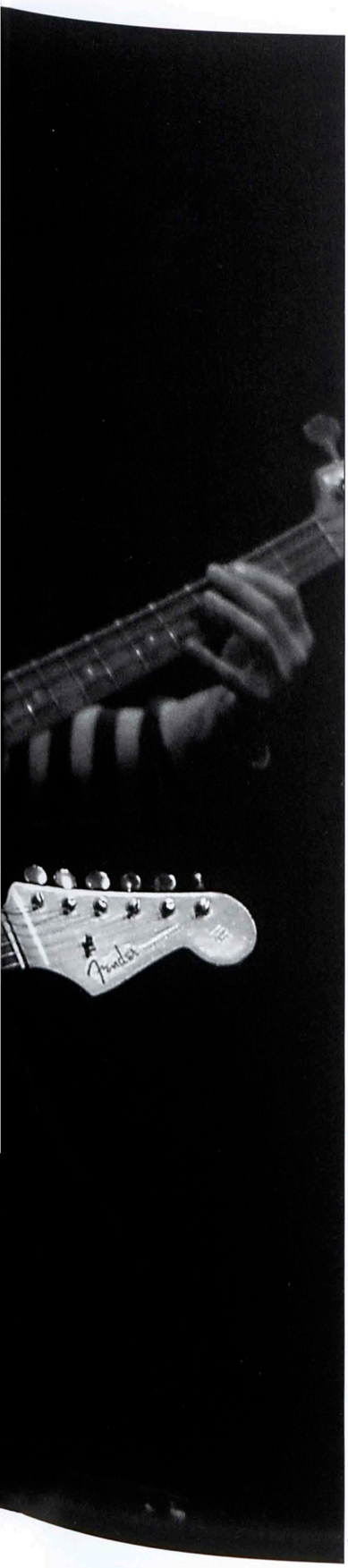
Empty classrooms across campus sit silent until August.

Few students can be seen loitering in the Union Mall. When the weather is warm during fall and spring semesters, students can be seen playing frisbee on the grass or reading on one of the many benches.









University Programs bring LIVE Acts to Campus

HEADLINER CONCERT COMMITTEE BRINGS BIG NAME MUSIC TO STUDENTS

BY STACY RYBURN

As early as 7:00 a.m. on Nov. 27 nearly 1,000 students waited in line to get their tickets to see Grammy-winning teen heartthrob John Mayer, the first free concert sponsored by the Headliner Concerts Committee.

By 4:30 in the afternoon the next day, all 4,286 student tickets were gone, given away to all those who eagerly waited by camping out, skipping class and bringing extra student IDs to get tickets for their friends.

Later on in the year, on April 11, tickets for the second free concert from the HCC went up for distribution. The second act brought by the committee was The Roots, an underground hip-hop act from Philadelphia, whose last album, Game Theory, contained "some of the most exhilarating and startling music released in 2006," according to the All Media Guide.

By the day of the show, April 24, HCC members were still trying to get rid of tickets to see The Roots by handing them to students passing by Kimpel Hall.

The HCC was created in April 2006 after a proposal by the Associated Student Government was made in the spring. Students overwhelmingly voted in favor of the committee, with a 75 percent approval rating to attach the 55-cent per-credit hour fee to tuition in order to fund the committee, according to an April 2007 article in *The Arkansas Traveler.*

Sarah Allen, a freshman from Winslow, was skeptical of John Mayer but was pleased with what she saw.

"I'd never seen him perform before, and I was really impressed with his performance," she said. "I've always thought he was kind of a sleazy and vulgar character but a great musician nonetheless."

Allen did not have to wait in line for her ticket because she had a friend pick her's up, but did not get a floor seat as a result.

"I guess I got what I deserved - my seat wasn't that terrific," she said. "I was pretty envious of the people sitting on the floor so close to the stage."

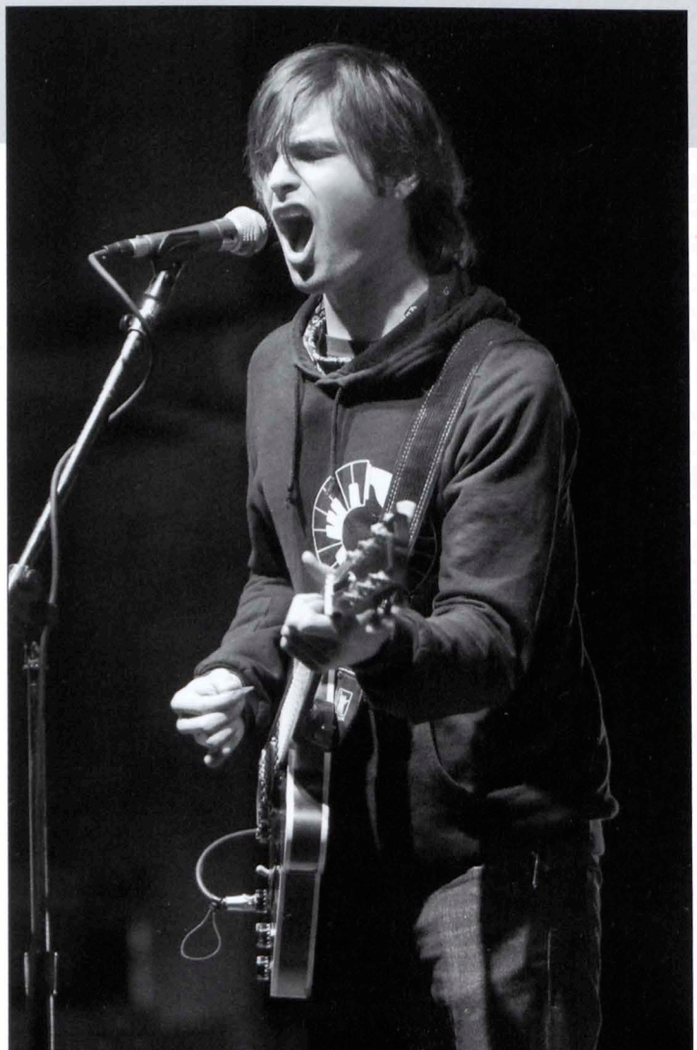
While the John Mayer concert was packed, members of the smaller crowd in attendance for The Roots remained excited. Jeremy Davis, a freshman from Jonesboro, anticipated the socially conscious, high-energy performance.

"I was really excited that the U of A got a quality group to come and perform," he said. "In my personal opinion it was 100 times better than John Mayer and it had about a fourth of the crowd."

Members of the HCC intended to have a headlining concert for each spring and fall semester, although the first concerts both happened in the spring semester due to budget and time constraints.



Previous Page: John Mayer performs at Barnhill Arena.
Right: Thousands fill Barnhill Arena to see John Mayer. Students were able to receive free tickets because of an additional student fee that brought big name acts to campus. PHOTOS BY ROBYN CLOUD



The lead singer of Phantom Planet, Alexander Greenwald, entertains a crowd at the Greek Theatre. The Sept. 1 concert was free to students and was held outdoors at the Greek Theatre. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL







Part of the Grammy-winning hip-hop group, The Roots, performs in front of thousands. The Roots were not only known for their vocal performances but also their live instrumentation. PHOTO BY VANCE GREEN



Black Thought, the MC for The Roots, performs at Barnhill Arena. Brought to campus by University Programs, the Grammy award winning group was the second major act to perform as part of the Headliner Concert Series. PHOTO BY VANCE GREEN

Fayetteville Farmer's MARKET Gets a Cold Start

FRESH FRUIT, VEGETABLES AND FLOWERS COVER THE SQUARE IN SPRING

BY STACY RYBURN



Easter Sunday this year proved to be the coldest on record for Northwest Arkansas, with a low of 17 degrees. But the harsh weather did more than just force mothers to bundle up their kids in thick coats to go egg hunting; it also had a significantly negative impact on farmer's crops all over the southern and eastern United States.

The vendors of the Fayetteville Farmer's Market felt the impact during the final weeks of March and into April, as several produce growers faced austere conditions to get ready for the spring. Berries, fruit and vegetables got the worst of it, with some farmers losing the majority of their crops.

Rachel Courtney, a graduate student from Fayetteville, worked at the Farmer's Market the last two summers and noticed the adverse effects the climate had on its quantity and quality of products.

"The late freezes definitely damaged some crops, especially the peach, raspberry and tomato crops," she said. "The first few weekends of the market had an especially low turnout."

The Fayetteville Farmer's Market was established in 1974 as a grassroots organization of independent farmers and vendors from the four-county area. The market was open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in the springtime and all of the products sold came from local artists and farmers, with all proceeds going back to the community. Products include ceramics, crafts, fruits, vegetables, meats and dairy products, among other items.

Roger Hill, the market's manager, got his job in January before the harsh weather bled into the following months.

Despite an opening Saturday of 18 degrees and a rainy first Tuesday following, Hill looked at the bright side of the season.

"We're hopeful that things will pick up when the weather improves," he said. "We've still got a few dedicated people and they're spending lots of money, which is a good thing."

Hill said that Saturdays generally see more customers, when more students come out.

Mary Price, a senior from Jonesboro, has been to the Farmer's Market and expressed sadness about the withering berries.

"I'm really sad they've died," she said. "I wish Mother Nature would get into gear and act like it's April instead of October."



A Dripping Springs Garden vendor makes a sale on a Saturday morning on the Square. All products sold came from local farmers and all the proceeds went back to the community. PHOTOS BY MEGAN GARNER

Vendors arrive early in the morning to display their homegrown fruit, vegetables and flowers. Locals could purchase the produce and walk around the square every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.





A RETURN to Tradition

THE MISS UA PAGEANT RETURNS TO CAMPUS AFTER 13 YEARS

BY SHANNON SANDERS

After 13 years of absence, 2007 saw the return of the Miss University of Arkansas pageant. The pageant, which was used as an official preliminary to the Miss Arkansas competition, was reinstated after pageant officials noticed that many of the top contestants in Miss Arkansas were coming from the UA.

"This past year, eight of the top 10 and the entire top five, including Miss Arkansas Amber Bennett, were UA students," said Toni Bahn, the pageant's executive director. "The quality of contestants here was incredible, and the potential was also incredible."

An official UA Scholarship Pageant RSO was created to reinstate the event and to sponsor it. Event directors also had to meet with governing bodies on campus and gain student support in order to bring back the competition.

The 17 contestants were all sponsored by different registered student organizations and had to go through an interview process before the actual pageant. The girls competed for the crown, more than $8,000 in scholarships and prize money and a chance to compete in Miss Arkansas. The UA's event was the largest Miss Arkansas preliminary in the state.

The 2007 winner, senior Allison Waldrip, represented Sigma Nu fraternity and was crowned Miss UA on Jan. 21 in the Union ballroom.

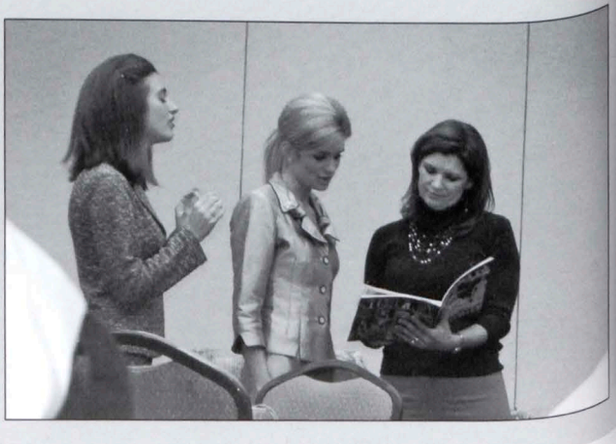
"She is a great speaker and loves to get out in the community and do whatever she can. I think the judges saw who Allison really is and that's why they put the crown on her head," Bahn said.

Waldrip based her platform on encouraging academic excellence. After being crowned Miss UA, Waldrip read and spoke at local elementary schools and performed the National Anthem at many events, including Razorback sporting events and an American Heart Association meeting. Waldrip went on to represent the UA at the Miss Arkansas pageant in Hot Springs in June.

Bahn said she hopes to raise more awareness for the program in the future as a scholarship program—not a beauty pageant.

"Believing that education is the primary reason to be on campus, we want to be able to help these contestants further their education," Bahn said.





Left to Right: The pageant contestants wait for the Miss UA 2007 announcement. Miss UA contestants review the pageant details before interviews. The pageant provided more than $8,000 in scholarships. PHOTOS BY ROBYN CLOUD



Allison Waldrip is crowned Miss UA 2007. After she was crowned, Waldrip read to children at local elementary schools and sang the National Anthem at several events. PHOTO COURTESY OF ANDY SHUPE

Alpha Omicron Pi Offers NEW Option for Going Greek

AOPI BECOMES THE FIRST NEW GREEK GROUP AT UA IN 17 YEARS

BY ANTOINETTE GRAJEDA

The UA's newest sorority in 17 years may have been a welcome addition to campus, but it was a difficult task to accomplish.

"Getting Alpha Omicron Pi started at the University definitely had its challenges," vice president Tammy Lippert said. "We had to start from scratch with recruitment, writing our bylaws and being accepted in the university's Greek community."

To recruit new members, the sorority held several colonization parties, Lippert said. The parties included activities such as learning about the organization, meeting other girls and enjoying some good food.

Junior Sarah Ribble is one of 91 members of the 181st chapter of the sorority.

"I thought it would be a great opportunity to meet lots of girls and be a part of the first ever Alpha Omicron Pi pledge class at the UA," Ribble said.

The sorority gave a presentation to officials in the Office of Greek Life and UA administration several years ago, chapter president Micah Nolan said. Other organizations made presentations as well, but Alpha Omicron Pi was the group that gained approval.

Like other UA sororities, Alpha Omicron Pi will have its own house. The $4.5 million, 30,000 square foot building, will sleep 85 women and is planned to be built on the corner of Whitham Avenue and Maple Street.

"AOPi is currently in the final stages of negotiating a land lease with the university," Nolan said.

The sorority members will be living in a current residence hall until their house is completed.

"The university has given us reign over Walton Hall," Ribble said. "We are going to redecorate, paint and furnish all the rooms in Walton and this will give us a great opportunity to have a community atmosphere within our group."

New members attended workshops to learn how to effectively recruit girls in the fall, she said.

"What everyone in the sorority is doing now is shaping the sorority for years to come," Ribble said. "All the girls are working really hard to make AOPi a competitive sorority on campus and I believe it is well on its way."



FACTS AND FIGURES ON ALPHA OMICRON PI

FOUNDERS

Alpha Omicron Pi was founded Jan. 2, 1897 by Helen St. Clair Mullan, Stella George Stern Perry, Elizabeth Heywood Wyman and Jessie Wallace Hughan. The four women were students at Barnard College in New York City.

PHILANTHROPY

Alpha Omicron Pi supported Arthritis, Juvenile Arthritis and related diseases as their international philanthropy. In 1998, the Arthritis Foundation awarded its prestigious Corporate Hero Award to the AOPi Foundation for its ongoing support.

AOPi & ARKANSAS

The fraternity celebrated the installation of their 181st chartered chapter with the Jan. 20 installation of the Xi Omicron Chapter at the UA. At the time, 88 women were initiated during a weekend-long celebration.

MISSION STATEMENT

Alpha Omicron Pi is an international women's fraternity promoting friendship for a lifetime, inspiring academic excellence and lifelong learning and developing leadership skills through service to the fraternity and community.

Alpha Omicron Pi members plan the AOPi schedule and discuss their sorority functions during their regular meeting. Members had to meet in the Union while the AOPi house was under construction. PHOTOS BY ROBYN CLOUD

Top: Although they were a new organization, members of AOPi displayed their letters with pride.
Bottom: Members of the newly-formed Alpha Omicron Pi sorority look through new swimsuits Gayla Demaine of Keys Swimwear brought to show them during a meeting.





Greek Organizations
STEP
to Promote Unity and History

STEP SHOWS BRING A RICH GREEK TRADITION TO CAMPUS

BY ANGELA WITT

Stepping was a form of expression that allowed groups to represent the livelihood of their organization. Even though it was a historical custom among predominantly black Greek organizations, at the UA, all Greeks embraced the tradition.

"Stepping is an avenue that steers an individual away from the business, social and scholastic aspect of the sorority yet while at the same time offering a means to represent your organization collectively," said Tina Fletcher, Alpha Kappa Alpha president.

Step shows incorporated several types of steps, a history step, two to three transitions, a breakdown, a confusion and struts on and off the stage, Fletcher said.

"A confusion is where the group divides into three smaller groups and perform three different short steps at the same time which creates a sound of unison," Fletcher said.

Step shows gave history and showed what an organization stood for, said Bronze Hill, National Pan-Hellenic Council president.

"Those participating in a step show usually practice one to three hours per day every day up until a show, sometimes more if there is a lot of money involved," Hill said, a biology/pre-med major said.

Step shows were not only for entertainment, but they also promoted unity and history as well as made money for council and scholarship funds.

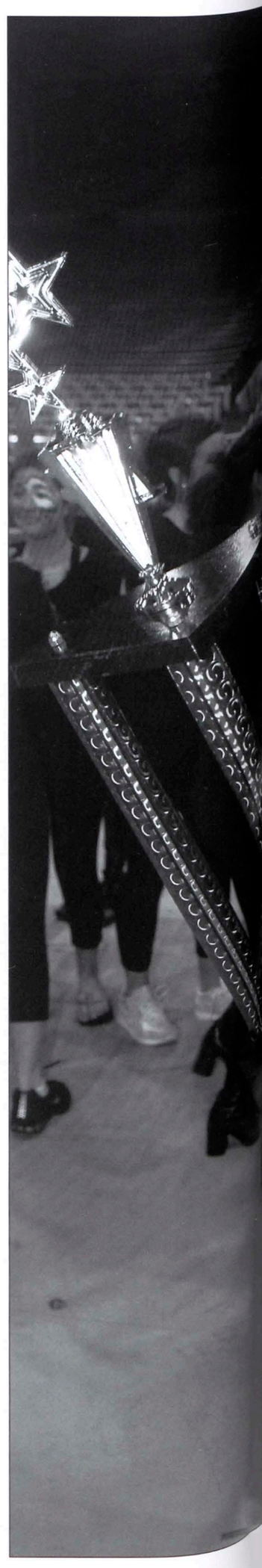
It usually took about six weeks to get the Unity Step Show together, which was usually held the Friday of Homecoming Week. The Kappa Iota chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. sponsors the show, and the Kappa Kappa chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. helps with the males who participated, Fletcher said.

"The Unity Step Show here at the UA is only Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and most of the IFC and PHC organizations on campus," Fletcher said.

"We all come together and we teach them. It's an organized collaboration of all the groups."

There is a step master that creates the show and teaches everybody. During Unity everybody is equal but each group has a leader, Fletcher said.

Diversity was a big part of the Unity Step Show. The show allowed different groups to work with each other and were significant because they taught others about the importance and history of stepping, Fletcher said.





GREEKS UNITE THROUGH STEPPING

THE GREEKS

2006 Unity Step Show participants:

- Zeta Tau Alpha
- Alpha Omicron Pi
- Alpha Delta Pi
- Chi Omega
- Pi Beta Phi
- Delta Delta Delta
- Kappa Kappa Gamma
- Kappa Delta
- Sigma Nu
- Sigma Chi
- Lambda Chi Alpha
- Beta Upsilon Chi

PRIDE

The Unity Step Show occurred annually, and was put on by the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority and the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. The step show provided an opportunity for each Greek group to display the spirit of their organization.

FOR THE CAUSE

The step show helped fund the Dr. Margaret Clark Scholarship, Linda Gayle Johnson Scholarship, Ivy Reading, AKAdemy and academic programs. The winners of the competition also received prize money to benefit their philanthropy.

HISTORY

The Unity Step Show has been recognized for 13 years on the UA campus. Dr. Clark proposed the idea in 1993, and since then the step show had been performed annually by participating philanthropies.

Members of Pi Beta Phi sorority embrace after winning the first place trophy. Months of practice paid off for the Pi Beta Phi team when they were crowned the winners for the first time in many years. As the winners, the team performed at the NPHC Homecoming Step Show and won money for their philanthropy.

A member of Sigma Nu fraternity claps and steps in sync with his team. It was not uncommon for step teams to practice several months leading up to their actual performance. PHOTOS BY TRISTAN EVANS



A pack of runners get in position, preparing for the race to begin. Despite the chilly morning temperature, about 100 runners participated and donated shoes and apparel for the One World Running charity. PHOTOS BY GIGI HOLDER



Runners Brave the COLD for a Good Cause

FREEZING 5K/10K RACE DONATES PROCEEDS TO THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES

BY DANIEL CLARK

Even though Feb. 10 was a bitterly cold morning, 100 runners lined up at the starting line on campus regardless. They gathered there not only to race, but also to support One World Running, a charity that sends running shoes and other clothing to children in need all over the world.

The race started at the Gardens and circled around to finish where it began. The race was broken into two lengths: a 10K and a 5K run and these were further divided into male and female divisions. Students and staff signed up in the intramural league for free, and as an additional encouragement to get people to run, goody bags and free T-shirts were given out.

Racers were encouraged to bring running shoes and other apparel to be donated to One World Running and over 250 pounds of shoes and other goods were donated to the charity.

Emily Welty, an international business major, was one of the 35 students and staff that ran in the intramural race.

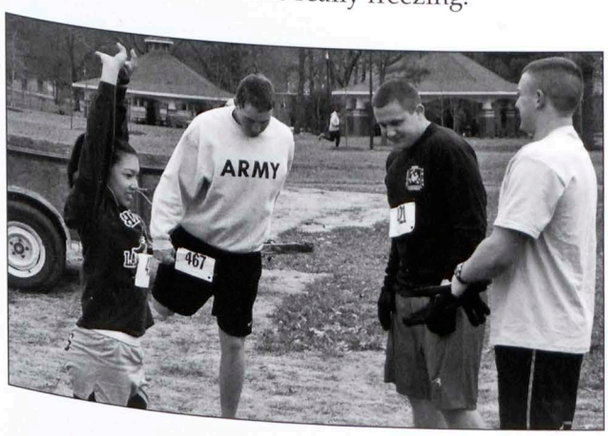
"I wanted to show my support," Welty said. "It was really fun and it was really freezing."

The race was organized by Intramural Recreation Sports staff members Tim Leszczak, a graduate assistant for fitness and wellness, and Katie Helms, an assistant director for fitness and wellness. It was sponsored by IMRS and donations were sent in by local businesses such as Fleet Feet Sports, Noodles, Lewis and Clark Outfitters, Friday's and even *Runners' Journal* magazine. This was the second time the race was held, and the fourth race put on by IMRS.

"We want to keep it going, we figured we could build on it," Leszczak said. "Last year we had about 80 [runners], this year we had 100."

The race was originally supposed to be held in December but had to be cancelled because of a snowstorm. Leszczak admitted that the time of the year wasn't the best to reschedule it to, but it was the only time that there weren't any other conflicting races in the area. Some confusion occurred as runners had to cancel because of the change up, but overall, the race went very well, he said. He encouraged even more students to participate next year.

"It's a great race," he said. "You get music, free food, a great time and a goody bag."





Left to Right: A group of students warm up and stretch before the start of the race organized by the Intramural Recreational Sports staff.
The runners take off on the course that circled campus and parts of Fayetteville.



Above: Freshman Ashleigh Stewart and her dog, Moose, rest between classes. Moose often went to class with Stewart, acknowledging his own school pride with a Razorback bandana.

Right: Senior Ashleigh Gibson offers her dog, Chubs, a drink after a fun day on Old Main lawn. Gibson adopted Chubs from a friend in August and has enjoyed sharing her water with him ever since. PHOTOS BY ERIKA SIMMONS

A Student's BEST Friend

STUDENTS BALANCE ACADEMICS AND FUNDS WITH THE ANIMALS THEY LOVE

BY KAYTEE JENKINS

Whether or not to have pets while in college was a difficult decision. Finding a place to live that allowed animals could be tricky in itself. Finding time to play and train a domestic friend could be time consuming. Most relevant to the college student might have been how to financially support a pet; they needed food, toys, medications and various, sometimes costly expenses.

Erin Riley was the proud owner of a Rhodesian Ridgeback, Amos. Amos frequently visited Old Main lawn with Hunter Riley, Erin Riley's brother. They spent the afternoons chasing squirrels and romping around with other dogs. Hunter Riley dedicated more than ten hours a week to Amos.

"Friends always joke about him [Amos] 'backing it up' because he walks past people and backs his hind quarters into them, literally just backing into a person," Hunter Riley said. And if you are on a couch he will lie down next to you and always seems to have at least a paw on you."

Amos wasn't the only dog that spent time on campus. Where Ashleigh Stewart went, Moose went too. Moose was a Shorkie, Shih Tzu/Yorkie, that Stewart bought from a breeder in Iowa. Stewart toted Moose around in a discrete doggy purse; most of her teachers never even knew he was in class with her.

"He has never barked or disrupted class before," Stewart said.

Stewart lived off campus and took care of her dog with her own finances. She said that most of the time Moose was pretty inexpensive, aside from high vet bills.

Even students in residence halls found ways to care for an animal. Jeffery West, a Humphrey's Hall RA, had a fish named Alfred. During a cold winter night, Alfred was left on the window sill with the window open. West was surprised to find him nearly frozen in the morning. A little warm water and a caring owner revived the poor fish, which later stayed on top of the television, out of harm's way.

These students, along with many others, decided that the responsibility of having a pet was outweighed by the fun, entertainment and resuscitation skills each pet contributed to their lives.

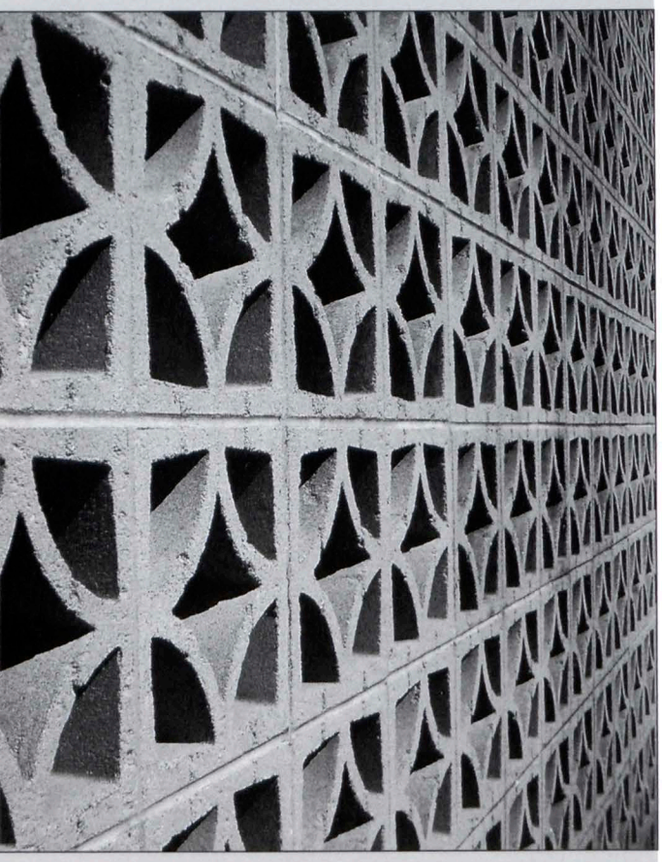
Having a cute dog in the park was sure to start conversations between people that may have otherwise never met. Even something as unexciting as a fish could spark some interesting stories.





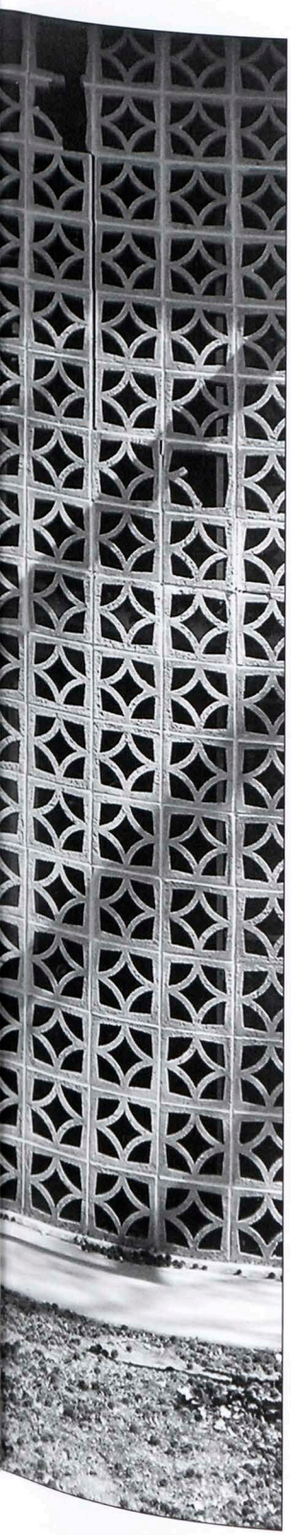
Left to Right: Senior Hunter Riley takes care of Amos, his sister's Australian Ridgeback. They played together several times a week to keep in shape. Freshman Meredith Smith and Herbie, her leopard gecko, are rarely separated. Herbie was even there when Smith got her braces.

The concrete lattice work was architect Edward Durell Stone's signature modern style. The design was incorporated throughout every buildings' exterior wall to let the sun shine through. PHOTOS BY CAROLYN FINNIE



Obvious signs of the building's exterior structure damage on the patios of the two-bedroom apartments. Carlson Terrace complex was the only form of campus housing for married students or students with children.





Affordable Housing RAZED To Expand Athletic Facilities

DEMOLISHING CARLSON TERRACE YIELDS CONTROVERSY

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

For 45 years, Carlson Terrace residents enjoyed spacious two-bedroom living surrounded by a green courtyard at the bottom of the Hill. But living in the apartment complex that once housed married and non-traditional students came to an end this spring.

Fayetteville preservationists and historians were outraged by the proposed demolition of Carlson Terrace, a notable architectural landmark in the community. In February, UA officials announced the demolition citing the deterioration of the building infrastructure, including plumbing and sewer lines.

The tan apartment complex, known for its signature concrete lattice work and minimalist style, was designed by internationally renowned architect and UA alumni Edward Durell Stone.

He designed the complex that was built between 1958 and 1961 as an early example of the modernist architect's work. Stone also designed the Fine Arts Center on campus and Radio City Music Hall in the Rockefeller Center and the Museum of Modern Art, both in New York.

The complex consisted of two-bedroom apartments originally intended for married students and students with families. In the past few years, more students signed up to live in the apartments because of an overflow in other housing options and they were relatively inexpensive compared to other dorms. During the 2006 fall semester, it cost just $2,251 for an unfurnished double occupancy and $4,439 for an unfurnished single apartment, compared to paying $6,075 for a spot in the Quad.

About 162 students lived in Carlson Terrace during the spring semester when the closing plans were announced. The students were helped with relocating to alternate units while plans were underway to build a women's softball stadium in its place.

In June 2005, the UA System Board of Trustees received permission to tear down the five apartment buildings west of the creek. The university had planned to keep the remaining five buildings in use until 2010, but housing director Randy Alexander said the infrastructure problems forced a change in plans. "We regret Carlson Terrace can't stay open until the new apartments are finished, but we can't, in good conscience, continue to rent the apartments knowing the infrastructure failures that our students have experienced this year and would likely continue to experience in the future," Alexander said.

20 THINGS TO DO IN FAYETTEVILLE FOR UNDER TWENTY DOLLARS

BY MEGAN GARNER

TIM'S PIZZA

$10-15

Tim's provided college students with two of their favorite things: beer and pizza. Multiple locations and prices that were easy on a student's wallet made Tim's a local favorite any night of the week.

GEORGE'S MAJESTIC LOUNGE

$10-15

Opened in 1927, George's was the oldest club and live music venue in Arkansas. Bottomless mug nights every Sunday allowed students to enjoy a show and a drink without blowing their paycheck.

SPUN RECORDS

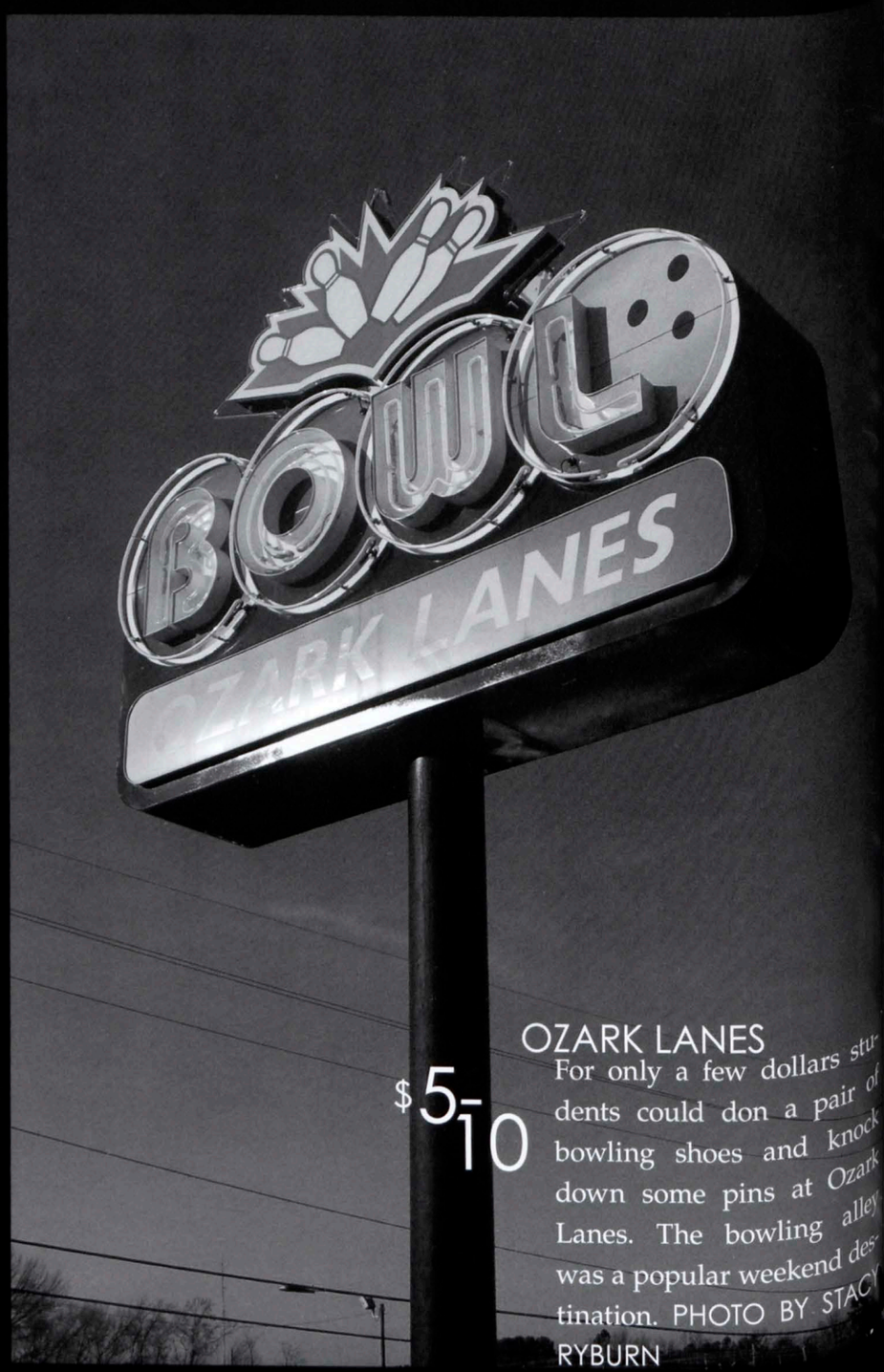
$15-20

For oh-so trendy vintage vinyl, there was no place better than Spun Records. Their selection included both rare and popular vinyl albums.

GELATERIA SCARPINO

$5-7

Scarpino's brought a little bit of Italy to Fayetteville, with its variety of gelato flavors. Students satisfied their sweet tooth with treats that were cheap and less fattening than ice cream.



OZARK LANES

$5-10

For only a few dollars students could don a pair of bowling shoes and knock down some pins at Ozark Lanes. The bowling alley was a popular weekend destination. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN

HUGO'S

Hugo's was one of the oldest restaurants in Fayetteville, and was a local favorite. The dim lighting and cozy decor made it great for dates or a casual lunch. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN

$10-15

CHEAP THRILLS

Cheap Thrills provided vintage apparel for less, and the thrift store was always a fun destination, whether searching for a great vintage piece, costumes or just bargain prices. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN

$8-12

112 DRIVE-IN

In warmer weather, a popular weekend retreat was the 112 Drive-In. The theater was one of the few remaining drive-ins in the nation and for only $10 a car, it ensured students could afford to enjoy it.

$10

THE FLYING BURRITO

A student favorite, the Flying Burrito let customers build their own burrito, and made sure the giant portions filled hungry patrons.

$6-8

WILSON PARK

Whether students went for exercise or leisure, Wilson Park offered an outdoor setting that was both inexpensive and enjoyable.

$0

LAKE WEDINGTON

$5

For just five dollars to park, students could soak up all the sun they wanted at Lake Wedington. The lake offered paddle boats, canoes, playgrounds and volleyball courts.

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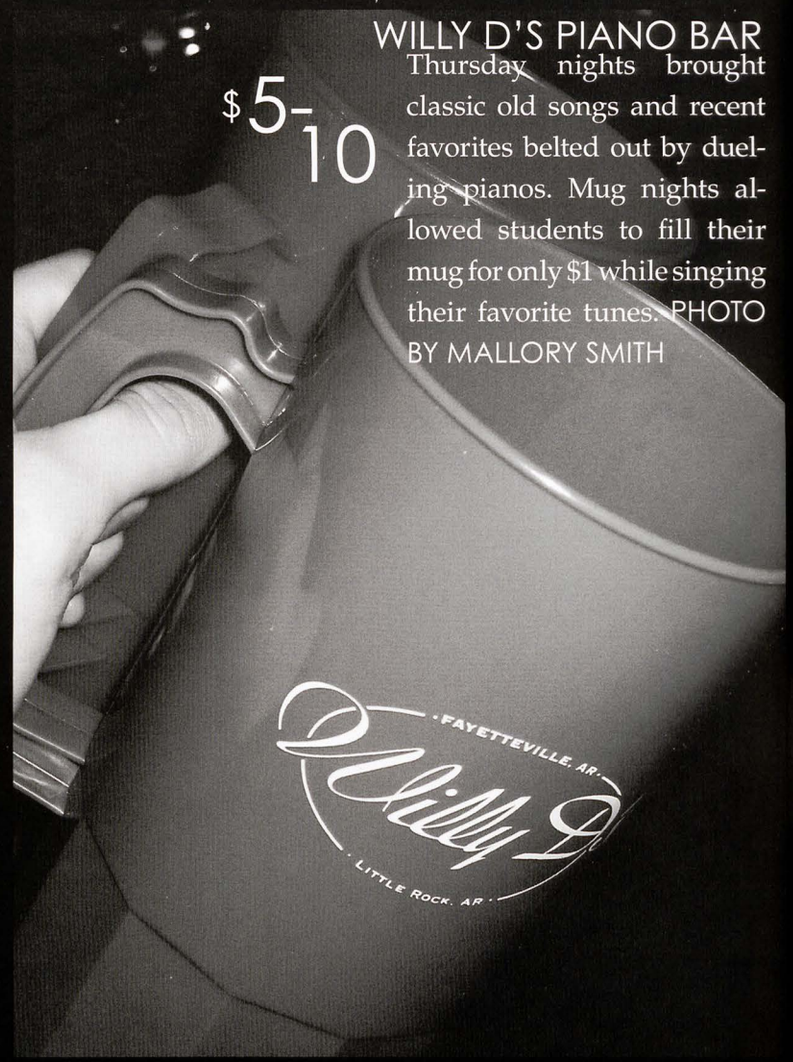
$5-10

While they may act all grown up, most students were still up for some childhood games. Locomotion offered go-carts, arcade games, laser tag and mini-golf so students could lighten up a little.

DIFFERENT STROKES

$15-20

Different Strokes Pottery and Mosaic Studio let students' artistic side come out. Customers could design, decorate and personalize their own pottery and mosaics.



WILLY D'S PIANO BAR

$5-10

Thursday nights brought classic old songs and recent favorites belted out by dueling pianos. Mug nights allowed students to fill their mug for only $1 while singing their favorite tunes. PHOTO BY MALLORY SMITH

WALKER SKATE PARK

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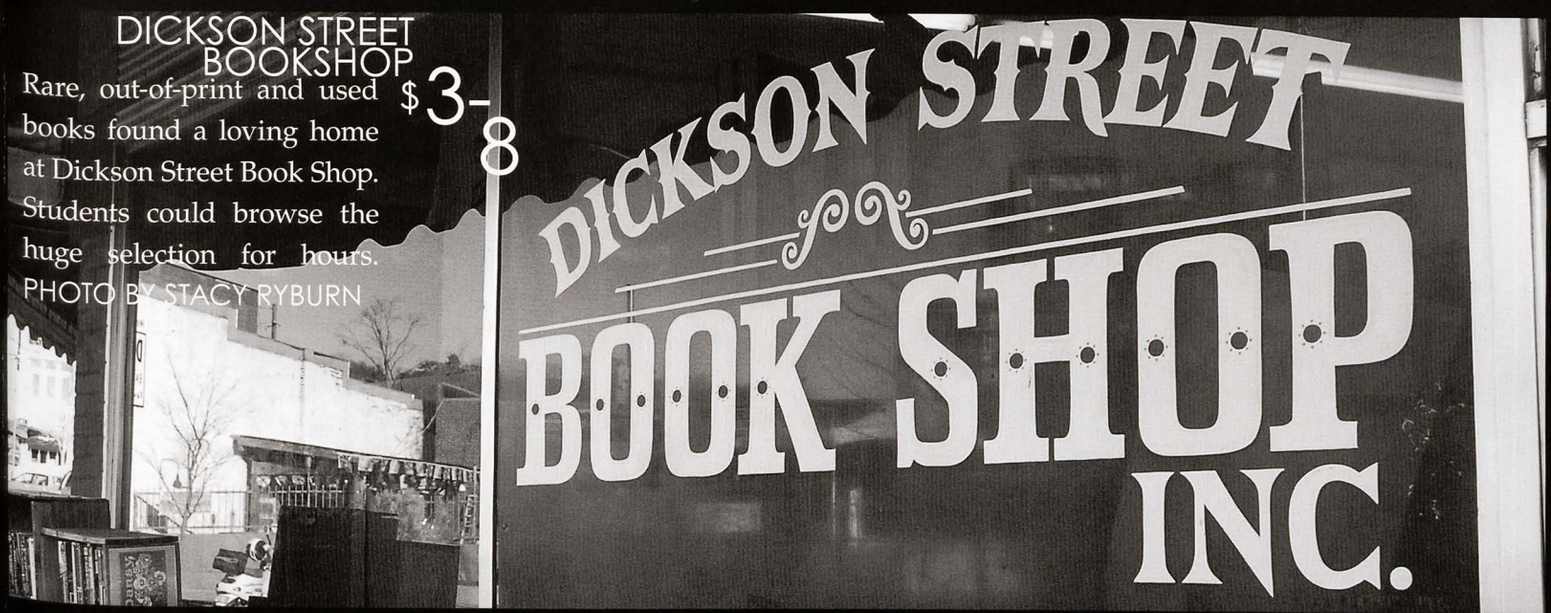
On sunny days students could take their bikes, boards or blades out to Walker park and enjoy the good weather without spending a penny. PHOTO BY MEGAN GARNER

FAYETTEVILLE FARMER'S MARKET

Students looking for a fresh alternative could find home-grown produce and flowers at the Farmer's Market. The market was in the square several times a week. $5-10

DICKSON STREET BOOKSHOP

Rare, out-of-print and used books found a loving home at Dickson Street Book Shop. Students could browse the huge selection for hours. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN $3-8





BIG RED'S

Razorback fans could find all the Hog gear they needed at Big Red's. The store carried everything from hats and shirts to home decor and Razorback house shoes. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN $10-15

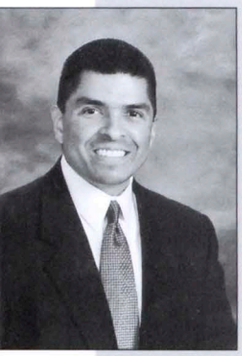
ARSAGA'S

College students thrive on coffee, and Arsaga's satisfied their needs, with hot drinks and a cozy place to study. $3-5

GATOR GOLF

Students could shoot for a hole in one at Gator Golf. If they made a hole in one on the 18th hole, the victory was even cheaper since they received a new game for free. $3-5

COMMENCEMENT 2007 SPEAKERS



MARIO E. RAMIREZ

Sam M. Walton College of Business: Ramirez was the national director of executive planning for TIAA-CREF's Wealth Management Group. He received his bachelor's degree in financial management from the UA and remained an active alumnus, serving as president of the College of Business Alumni Society



RICHARD N. SWETT

School of Architecture: Ambassador Swett's experiences encompassed aspects of architecture, public service, corporate management and real estate. As a 1979 graduate of Yale University, he was the only architect to serve in Congress during the 20th century.



DAVID PRATER

J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences: Prater was a four-year honors student, graduating with a degree in history. Prater was recognized for his columns about genocide awareness in the *Traveler* and planned to continue work in the field of human rights.



SARAH FINE

J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences: Fine was a graduating senior with bachelor's degrees in English literature and American studies. After graduation she planned to continue her education, seeking further degrees in English.



ROBERT A. DAVIDSON

College of Engineering: As a graduate from the UA, Davidson used his background in industrial engineering and business administration to conceive the motor carrier cost model, considered to be the industry's best. He became president and CEO of one of the nation's largest freight carriers.





A Moment of HONOR for Graduating Seniors

COMMENCEMENT RECOGNIZES GRADUATES FOR YEARS OF STUDIES

BY MALLORY SMITH

For some, it was the last time they would open a blue book, the last time they would purchase a scantron or the last time they would step foot in the Walton College of Business. But as finals came to an end, others returned to the classroom to further their education and still others began careers as UA graduates.

Commencement was a time to honor graduates and recognize them for their accomplishment - completing the coursework required to claim a degree and have their names forever etched in the sidewalks around campus.

What began with a campus tour and an admissions application turned into four, or more, years of group projects, essays and tests. The hard work culminated on May 12 as graduates from the J. William Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Architecture, the Sam M. Walton College of Business, the Bumpers College of Agricultural Food and Life Sciences, the College of Engineering and the College of Education and Health Professions walked across the stage to claim their diplomas.

Honorary degrees were award to H. Lee Scott, president and CEO of Wal-Mart, as well as Johnetta B. Cole, the president of Bennett College for Women. Scott was awarded an honorary Doctor of Arts and Humane Letters degree for his efforts to make Wal-Mart a more environmentally friendly corporation. Cole received an honorary Doctor of Arts and Sciences. Throughout her career as an administrator and writer she addressed every aspect of discrimination.

Speakers at all commencement ceremonies reflected on their time at the UA and encouraged students to continue their education, whether it be in the classroom or from life experiences.

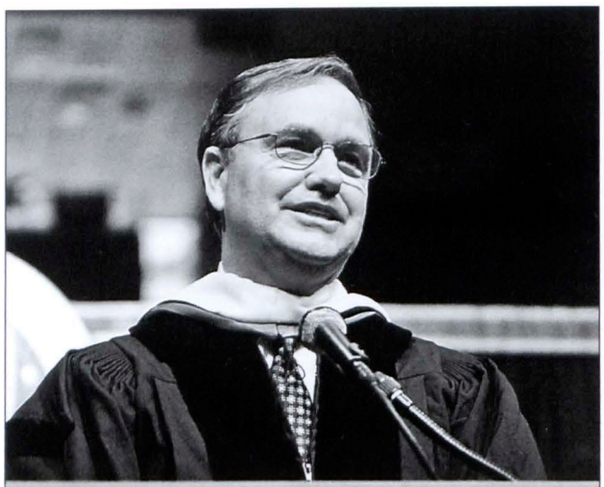
For some, walking across the stage and claiming their diploma intensified the feeling of accomplishment.

"Walking across the stage was a very proud moment. The recognition was really special after four years of school," Andy Ottinger said.

And even though some would not be returning to the classroom upon graduation, graduates were given this moment to celebrate and remember their time on the UA campus, as Razorbacks.

Previous Page: Congratulations are exchanged after the Eleanor Mann School of Nursing Commencement ceremony. PHOTO BY ROBYN CLOUD

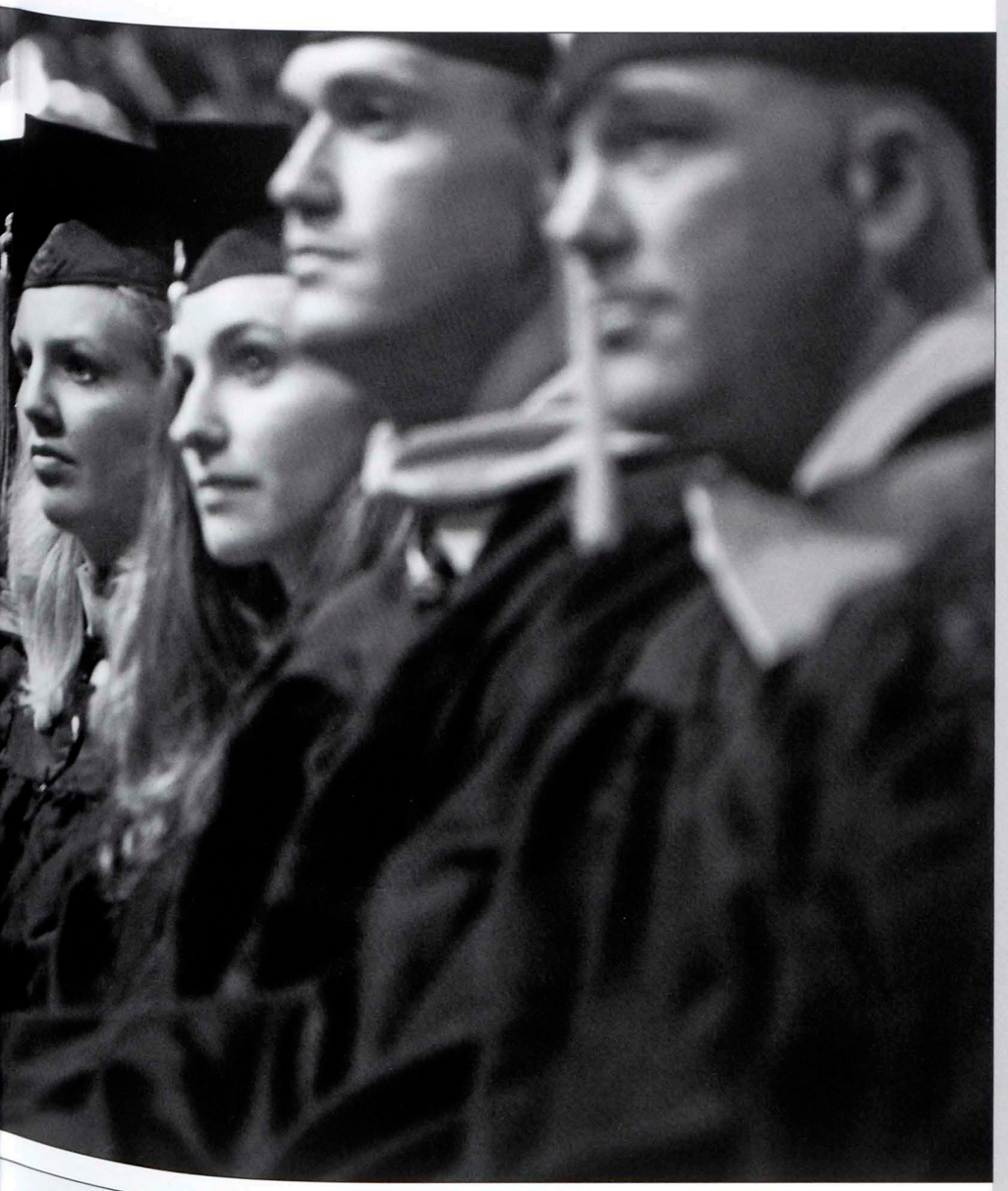
Below: Wal-Mart president and CEO H. Lee Scott speaks at the All University Commencement, May 12. Scott was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Arts and Humane Letters degree for his humanitarian efforts. COURTESY PHOTOS













Students pose for pictures before entering Bud Walton Arena. In the areas surrounding the commencement venues, new graduates could be seen embracing and snapping photos to celebrate the occasion.

New graduates fill the floor of Bud Walton Arena for the All University Commencement. Undergraduate and graduate students were honored at the ceremony that recognized the entire class of 2007.

COMMENCEMENT 2007 SPEAKERS

TOM KIMBRELL



College of Education and Health Professions: Kimbrell served as the executive director of the Arkansas Association of Educational Administrators. He earned degrees from the UA and Arkansas State in fields of education, and later served on many committees around the state that promoted education.

AL WITTE



School of Law: Witte received a Ph. D. in English from the University of Chicago, and earned his Juris Doctorate from the University of Wisconsin. As a professor for 50 years, he spent many at the UA, working alongside Bill and Hillary Clinton. Since retiring, he has regularly led law and literature seminars.

JAMIE GOSS DEMPSEY



School of Law: Dempsey was the editor-in-chief of the 2006-07 *Arkansas Law Review.* She worked for the Teach for America program and won the Benjamin J. Altheimer Moot Court Competition. Upon graduation, she planned to work for District Judge Leon Holmes in Little Rock.

BRITTANY ADAMS



Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences: Adams was awarded the title of Senior Scholar for earning the highest GPA , a 4.0, within her college. She was a food science major and planned to pursue a career in research or as a university professor.

CORDIA HARRINGTON



Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences: As a UA graduate, she operated the world's fastest automated bakery, and later founded Bun Lady Transport and Storage, a leading supplier for major restaurant companies. *Time* magazine has recognized her as a leading woman entrepreneur.

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GAY MARRIAGE BAN FAILS IN SENATE

JUNE 7, 2006 — Shutting down social conservatives who argued marriage is preserved for a man and woman, the Senate rejected a proposed constitutional amendment to ban same-sex marriage, effectively killing the issue for the year. The Senate voted 49 to 48 to shut off debate though the total fell short of the 60 votes needed to actually end debate on the floor, let alone the 67 votes required to approve a constitutional amendment.

AL QAEDA LEADER KILLED IN AIRSTRIKE

JUNE 22, 2006 — The Al Qaeda in Iraq leader and mastermind behind hundreds of bombings, kidnappings and beheadings was killed in an airstrike north of Baghdad. Abu Musab al-Zarqawi, the most wanted man in Iraq, was killed after U.S. warplanes dropped two 500-pound bombs on a house in which Zarqawi was meeting with other insurgent leaders.

BILLIONAIRE DONATES $31BIL TO CHARITY

JUNE 24, 2006 — Financial executive and philanthropist Warren Buffett announced that he would give the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation about $31 billion, nearly 85 percent of his enormous fortune. The foundation, which worked to fight diseases in mostly third-world countries and to improve the American education system, said it will use the money to help develop a vaccination for AIDS.

ITALY GETS FOURTH WIN AT WORLD CUP

JULY 9, 2006 — More than 30 billion viewers tuned in to the month-long 2006 FIFA World Cup making it the most watched event in television history. Thirty-two teams qualified for the tournament held in Germany where Italy won their fourth world championship. France's Zinedine Zidane drew a red card in the final game for head-butting Italian defender Marco Materazzi in the chest and France was left with 10 men to play before Fabio Grosso scored the winning goal in a 5-3 penalty shootout after extra time finished a 1-1 draw.

JOHN MARK KARR ARRESTED IN 10-YEAR MURDER MYSTERY

AUG. 16, 2006 — It was the first arrest in the decade-long investigation of a 6-year-old beauty queen's slaying. The suspect was 41-year-old schoolteacher John Mark Karr who was living in Bangkok, Thailand.

JonBenet Ramsey's beaten and strangled body was found in the basement of her home the day after Christmas in 1996. Before her body was found, JonBenet's mother reported finding a three-page ransom letter demanding $118,000 for her return.

Karr had been communicating online with a University of Colorado professor which played a key role in leading authorities to him and it was a result of several months of focused and complex investigation, according to District Attorney Mary Lacy.

On Aug. 17, Karr told reporters in Bangkok, Thailand, that he was "with JonBenet when she died" and that "her death was an accident."



DNA tests completed in October confirmed that Karr "was no
the source of the DNA found on the underwear of JonBenet Ramsey
-- disproving his claim that he was sexually involved with the chil
and killed her by accident though prosecutors had already abandoned
their case against the schoolteacher.



HEZBOLLAH AND ISRAELI ATTACKS PREVAIL

JULY 13, 2006— Hezbollah, the Lebanese Shiite Muslim group, attacked the Israeli border, capturing two Israeli soldiers, killing three others and prompting Israeli attacks on the airport in Beirut. The capture of the soldiers and the fighting ultimately opened a second front for Israel, whose troops entered the Gaza Strip in June in search of a seized soldier.

JAVA TSUNAMI LEAVES 800 DEAD ON COAST

JULY 17, 2006 — A 7.7-magnitude earthquake rumbled in the Indian Ocean which a triggered a three-meter high tsunami that smashed into the coastline and left almost 800 dead in Java, Indonesia. Waves about six feet high hit up to 200 yards inland, destroying homes, fishing villages and resorts and leaving 35,000 displaced. Though the coastline was unaffected by the devastating tsunami in 2004, Indonesia's tsunami warning system was still under development and was not scheduled to be operational on Java until 2007.

AMERICAN LANDIS TAKES YELLOW JERSEY

JULY 23, 2006 — Floyd Landis was only the third American to win, yet the first winner in the 103-year history of cycling's premier race to lose his Tour crown over doping allegations. Landis finished first at the Tour de France but a failed drug test a month later indicated a higher ratio of testosterone to epitestosterone during one stage of the race. The samples also contained synthetic testosterone, indicating that it came from an outside source.

PLAN B TO BE SOLD OVER THE COUNTER

AUG. 24, 2006 — The emergency contraceptive "Plan B" will no longer by sold prescription only to people 18 and over by the end of 2006. The Food and Drug Administration announced its approval for over-the-counter sales after years of debate. Opponents of the drug argued that making the product widely available could encourage teens to have sex and even increase the spread of sexually transmitted diseases.

FOOLED: PLUTO NO LONGER A PLANET

AUG. 24, 2006 — Resolving an argument that began in the late 1990s, astronomers voted to demote Pluto and its moon Charon because they are part of a sea of other objects that occupy the same region of space unlike the other eight planets in the solar system that have cleared broad swaths of space. Pluto was reclassified as a 'dwarf planet' - any other round object that has not cleared the neighborhood around its orbit and is not a satellite.

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CROCODILE HUNTER DIES IN ATTACK

SEPT. 4, 2006 — Steve Irwin, the Australian better known as the "Crocodile Hunter," died after being stung in the chest by a stingray's barb. Irwin was snorkeling off Australia's north coast at a part of the Great Barrier Reef, working on pieces for a television show when he was stung. He was one of the best-known wildlife conservationists and was recognized by his famous phrases, "Crocs rule!" and "Crikey!"

BLAIR ANNOUNCES HIS RESIGNATION

SEPT. 7, 2006 — Prime Minister Tony Blair, the leader of Britain for almost a decade, announced he would resign within 12 months. After months of sinking public support and a week-long spat with Chancellor Gordon Brown, the top candidate to succeed him, Blair succumbed to the demands that he make plans to step down. Since his landslide victory in 1997, Blair has outlasted every other major European leader in office.

SALAD LOVERS BEWARE

SEPT. 15, 2006 — Food and Drug Administration officials announced bagged spinach was the culprit behind the E. coli outbreak that killed one person and sickened more than 100 more. The outbreak included at least 20 states, and resulted in supermarkets across the country pulling spinach from their shelves for several weeks. The FDA warned simply rinsing would not get rid of the bug and advised people to avoid spinach all together.

CONGRESSMAN MARK FOLEY RESIGNS

SEPT. 29, 2006 — Republican representative Mark Foley resigned after reports surfaced that he had sent sexually explicit instant messages and inappropriate emails to male congressional pages. Foley was the head of the House Caucus on Missing and Exploited Children and was favored to be re-elected to his seventh term. Both the FBI and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement launched investigations into the scandal.





DEMOCRATS RECLAIM CONTROL OF CONGRESS, RUMSFELD RESIGNS

NOV. 7, 2006 — After a hard-fought race, Democrats took control of Congress for the first time in 12 years, and elected the nation's first woman to be speaker of the House. Representative Nancy Pelosi of California took the gavel, pledging the start of a new era.

The new Democratic Congress began working to undo more than a decade of Republican control, tackling issues including taxes, minimum wage, stem cell research and of course, the war in Iraq. The ongoing and controversial war contributed heavily to Republican losses.

"I recognize that many Americans voted last night to register their displeasure with the lack of progress being made in Iraq," President Bush said in a story on CNN.

At the head of the controversy surrounding the war was Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, who served six years at his post.

Rumsfeld was heavily criticized for his policies in Iraq, and exit polls taken during the midterm election showed strong voter dissatisfaction —57 percent— with the war. In the months leading up to the election, military officials and politicians alike called for Rumsfeld's resignation, as support for the war dwindled.

They got their wish when just one day after the Democratic sweep of Congress, Rumsfeld stepped down. Bush nominated Robert Gates, a former CIA director, as Rumsfeld's replacement at the Pentagon, saying the country needed a "fresh perspective" on Iraq.

SIX DIE IN AMISH SCHOOL SHOOTING

OCT. 2, 2006 — Five school girls were taken hostage and killed in a one-room Amish schoolhouse in Pennsylvania when Charles Carl Roberts IV, a 32-year-old truck driver, gunned down the girls and then himself. Six other girls were bound and critically wounded during the attack. Roberts allowed the fifteen boys in the classroom to leave, as well one pregnant woman and three other adult females who had infants with them.

NORTH KOREA REPORTS NUCLEAR TEST

OCT. 9, 2006 — International outrage followed reports that North Korea carried out its first test of a nuclear weapon. In defiance of international warnings, North Korea's news agency reported the test took place in Gilju in Hamgyong province, and that it was a complete success. Experts said the power of the explosion was unusually small for a nuclear blast and scientists worked to determine the validity of the reports.

U.S. POPULATION HITS 300 MILLION

OCT. 17, 2006 — At 7:46 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, the nation's population officially hit 300 million when the Census Bureau's population clock rolled over. The event marked a 100 million increase in the population in just 39 years. But unlike the 200 millionth milestone, there were no government-sponsored celebrations, because many experts thought the population actually hit 300 million months before.

CARDINALS WIN THE WORLD SERIES

OCT. 27, 2006 — The Cardinals pitched eight spectacular innings to become World Series champions, bringing home their first World Series title in 24 years. The championship victory was an unlikely one for a team who won just 83 games in the regular season and barely made it into the playoffs after a late-season slump. St. Louis locals celebrated the surprise victory, partying in the streets after the win until the early morning hours.

MIKE BEEBE WINS GOVERNOR'S RACE

NOV. 7, 2006 — Democrat Mike Beebe defeated Republican Asa Hutchinson, winning the Arkansas governor's race and leading a Democratic sweep of statewide offices. Beebe claimed the office after a decade of Republican control, and three Democrats also won re-election to Congress. Beebe said he planned to focus on the proposals made in his campaign, such as expansion of pre-kindergarten programs and elimination of the grocery tax.

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MOUNT HOOD CLIMBER SEARCH

Dec. 11, 2006 — Heavy snow and freezing winds prevented a search effort for three climbers who went missing on the 11,235-foot Mount Hood after an attempt on one of the peak's most challenging routes. The body of Kelly James was recovered a week later in a snow cave and the search for Brian Hall and Jerry Cooke was called off Dec. 20. Photos from James' camera showed the climbers not properly outfitted for the conditions.

TWO SEPARATE LEGENDS DIE

Dec. 25 and 26, 2006 — Legendary R&B singer and songwriter James Brown died of congestive heart failure at 73. Known as the "Godfather of Soul," he was known for his dance moves and performances and scored more than 50 Top 10 hits on the R&B charts, 17 of which hit No. 1. Gerald Ford, who became president the 38th president in 1974 after the resignation of Richard Nixon, died at 93. Ford was the only occupant of the White House never elected either to the presidency or the vice presidency and was known for his devotion to duty.

FORMER IRAQI PRESIDENT EXECUTED

Dec. 28, 2006 — Four days after an appeals court upheld his death sentence, the former Iraqi president Saddam Hussein was hanged. On Nov. 5, a court sentenced Saddam to death for the killing of 148 Shiites in Dujail in 1982. The many other crimes he was accused of—including the killing of up to 100,000 Kurds during the 1988 Anfal campaign him—went untried. A witness videotaped the hanging using a cell phone to capture the Shiite guards taunting Hussein.

BUCKEYES BECOME GATOR BAIT IN BCS

Jan. 8, 2007 — Though many debated Florida's spot in the BCS Championship Game, the Gators dominated Heisman Trophy winner Troy Smith and his No. 1 Ohio State Buckeyes 41-14 to earn the title. Switching off quarterbacks Chris Leak and Tim Tebow, Florida head coach Urban Meyer perfected the system and became the first Division I school to hold both football and basketball titles at the same time.



AMERICAN DEATH TOLL REACHES 3,000 IN IRAQ WAR

Dec. 31, 2006 —At the turning of a new year, the death of a Texas soldier raised the number of U.S. military deaths in Iraq to at least 3,000 since the war began, according to an Associated Press count. The milestone was crossed on the final day of 2006 and ended one of the bloodiest months for American military in Iraq.

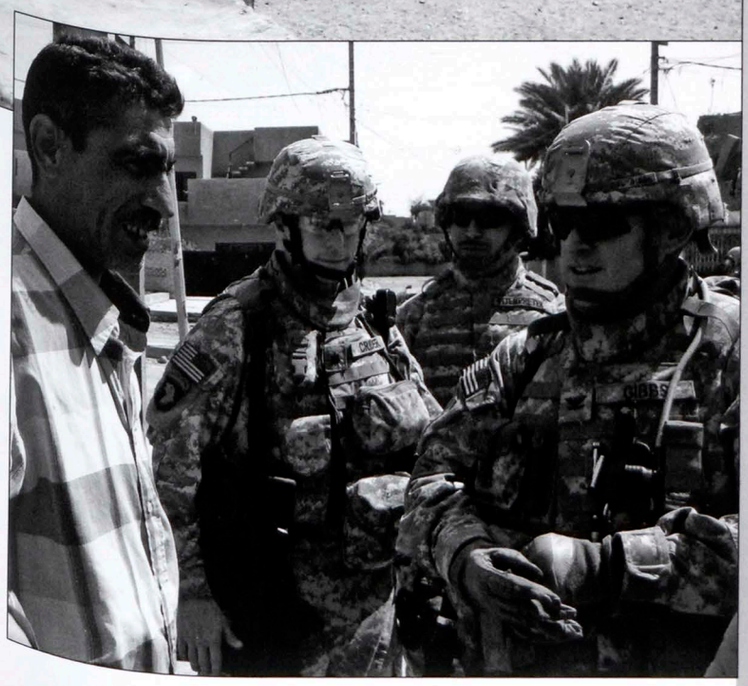
The number reflected the growing toll since the beginning of the war. The American death toll was at 1,000 in September of 2004 and 2,000 by October 2005. On Dec. 18, a Pentagon report found that attacks on Americans and Iraqis averaged about 960 a week, the highest number since it began writing the reports in 2005.

The United Nations reported that more than 34,000 Iraqis were killed from violence in 2006.

"The most painful aspect of the presidency is the fact that I know my decisions have caused young men and women to lose their lives," President George Bush said in an end-of-year press conference. In a statement released he said: "In the new year we will remain on the offensive against the enemies of freedom, advance the security of our country, and work toward a free and unified Iraq."

The 3,000 mark represented a fraction of American losses in earlier wars. There were 58,000 Americans killed in the Vietnam War, 36,000 in the Korean War, 405,000 in World War II and 116,000 in World War I, according to Defense Department figures.





OBAMA, CLINTON STEP FORWARD TO 2008

Jan. 16, 2007 — Two years after arriving in Washington, Senator Barack Obama of Illinois declared his intention to enter the Democratic presidential race and open a campaign to become the nation's first black president. New York democratic senator Hillary Rodham Clinton also announced her 2008 presidential campaign that could make her the first female president in the nation's history and the only former first lady to follow her husband in the White House.

BATTLE TRIGGERED IN IRAQ HOLY CITY

Jan. 28, 2007 — Three hundred Militants were killed in a battle between U.S.-backed Iraqi troops and insurgents allegedly plotting to kill pilgrims at a major Shiite Muslim religious festival. Top Shiite religious figures were the apparent targets of a plot by a Muslim messianic cult to seize the holy city of Najaf. Insurgents detained after the fighting told police they are members of "Soldiers of Heaven," a mix of Sunni and Shiite muslims. US and Iraqi troops killed 263 and captured 502 rebels in the fierce fighting around the city.

AN ASTRONAUT AFFAIR

Feb. 5, 2007 — NASA astronaut Lisa Nowak was charged with first-degree attempted murder in a bizarre love triangle. The 43-year old Navy captain and married mother of three children drove 900 miles to confront the woman she believed to have feelings for an unmarried fellow astronaut. Police charged Nowak with attempting to murder the woman based on weapons and other items found with Nowak or in her car: pepper spray, a BB-gun, a new steel mallet, knife and rubber tubing.

ANNA NICOLE'S SUDDEN DEATH

Feb. 8, 2007 — Reality TV star, *Playboy* playmate and former Guess model Anna Nicole Smith died at a South Florida hospital after she was discovered unconscious in a hotel room. Smith shocked the nation early in her career by marrying 89-year-old Texas oil magnate Howard Marshall II, who had an estate valued at $1.6 billion. After her death, controversy surrounded of the paternity of daughter Dannielynn Hope.

REPORT CONFIRMS GLOBAL WARMING

Feb. 2, 2007 — In one of the first major global assessments of climate change, scientists concluded that changes in the atmosphere show unequivocally that the world is warming. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change confirmed that the marked increase in atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gases carbon dioxide, methane and nitrous oxide since 1750 was the result of human activities in the first of four volumes to be released this year.

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NON! JACQUES CHIRAC RETIRES

MARCH 11, 2007 - After four decades in French politics, president Jacques Chirac announced he will not pursue a third presidential mandate in the election six weeks away. The 74-year-old Chirac implied his low popularity in the television announcement and his right party had swung behind the 52-year-old Nicolas Sarkozy, leaving him with no political base for another run.

MYSPACE REMOVES SEX OFFENDERS

MARCH 21, 2007 - Facing legal demands from state attorneys general, MySpace.com announced it will release data on registered sex offenders it has identified and removed from the networking Web site. The company originally rebuffed a demand for the data on how many registered sex offenders were using the site and where they live. The site, owned by News Corp., had identified and removed about 7,000 profiles out of a total of about 180 million.

EDWARDS' WIFE'S CANCER RETURNS

MARCH 23, 2007 - Democratic presidential candidate John Edwards' wife Elizabeth's cancer returned but his bid for the White House continues. Elizabeth Edwards said she felt pain from a cracked rib and got X-rays that revealed the treatable but not curable cancer. Elizabeth Edwards first underwent treatment for breast cancer after the 2004 campaign in which her husband was the Democratic vice presidential nominee.

DON IMUS FIRED OVER RACIAL SLUR

APRIL 12, 2007 - After much uproar over radio host Don Imus' derogatory comments about the Rutgers women's basketball team, CBS president and CEO announced his firing citing the effect of language on young people, in particular young women of color trying to make their way in society. Protests ensued after the comments and sponsors began pulling ads from the show.





VIRGINIA TECH MASSACRE: DEADLIEST MASS SHOOTING

APRIL 16, 2007 - Thirty-two people were killed when a Virginia Tech student opened fire in three buildings on campus before committing suicide in the deadliest massacre in modern U.S. history.

Seung-Hui Cho, a senior majoring in English at VT, used two firearms during the attacks that occurred in separate incidents, with the first at West Ambler Johnston Hall and the second at Norris Hall.

At about 7 a.m., Cho was seen near the entrance to West Ambler, a co-ed dormitory that housed 895 students, where he shot his first victims - a young woman and a male resident assistant. The university first informed students by e-mail at 9:26 a.m. of the first shooting, which was thought at the time to be isolated and domestic in nature.

About two hours after the initial shooting, Cho entered Norris Hall which housed the Engineering Science and Mechanics program and chained three doors shut. By the end of his second attack which lasted nine minutes, Cho had fired at least 174 rounds killing 25 students and five faculty members and wounding many more. Police reports indicated that 25 people were injured; some by Cho's bullets, others when they jumped from second-story windows to escape.

The next day, NBC news received a package from Cho time-stamped between the first and second shooting which contained a letter, photos and 27 digitally recorded videos which expressed his hatred for the wealthy. PHOTOS BY JOSH ARMSTRONG AND SETH KLEMAN

BLOODIEST DAY IN BAGHDAD

APRIL 18, 2007 - In a wave of attacks, bombs ravaged Baghdad in five explosions aimed at Shiite crowds, killing at least 173 people in the deadliest day since the U.S. troops surge in the city began nine weeks ago. In the worst of the bombings, a car packed with explosives exploded at an intersection killing 140 and wounding 150. Nationwide, the number of people killed or found dead was 233, which equaled the highest death toll since The Associated Press began recording daily nationwide deaths in May 2005.

PAT TILLMAN INVESTIGATION

APRIL 24, 2007 - Controversy ensued when the Pentagon notified former NFL player Pat Tillman's family that he died as a result of a friendly fire incident and the cover-up of his death. A month after the Pentagon released their report on the events surrounding Pat Tillman's death and cover-up, the last soldier to see him alive testified that he was warned by superiors not to reveal information that a fellow soldier killed Tillman.

ROGER CLEMENS REJOINS THE YANKEES

MAY 6, 2007 - The seven-time Cy Young Award winner Roger Clemens, 44, retired four years ago, only to be lured back to pitch three partial seasons for his hometown Houston Astros and now a fourth with the Yankees. Clemens re-signed May 6 with the Yankees for more than $28 million. He was slated to start three weeks after training.

ROSIE O'DONNELL LEAVES 'THE VIEW'

MAY 17, 2007 - Comedian Rosie O'Donnell, who joined ABC's "The View" last September, asked to be let out of her contract early after a heated battle with a fellow co-host. After O'Donnell and Elisabeth Hasselbeck engaged in an explosive debate on the war in Iraq in which she called Hasselbeck "cowardly," O'Donnell hinted at an early departure from the show.

TB PATIENT WAS ADVISED NOT TO FLY

MAY 30, 2007 - A tuberculosis-infected American sparked an international health alert by crossing the Atlantic while infected, potentially exposing the highly drug-resistant form to passengers and crew members. The man flew to Paris from his home in Atlanta for his wedding and honeymoon despite being advised not to travel overseas by health officials. While in Italy, he was contacted by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention and was told he had a rare and potentially virulent form of the disease.

Shane Benson, a sophomore elementary education major enjoys the nice weather as he reads in between classes at the Greek Theatre.
Bottom: Corey Duncan, a senior management major, studies in the Union.
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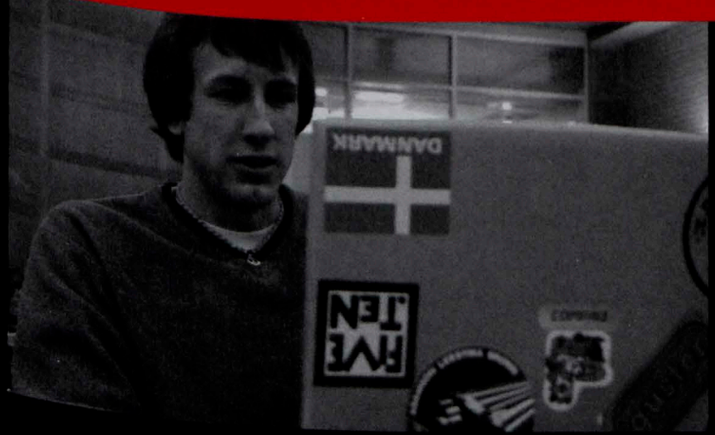


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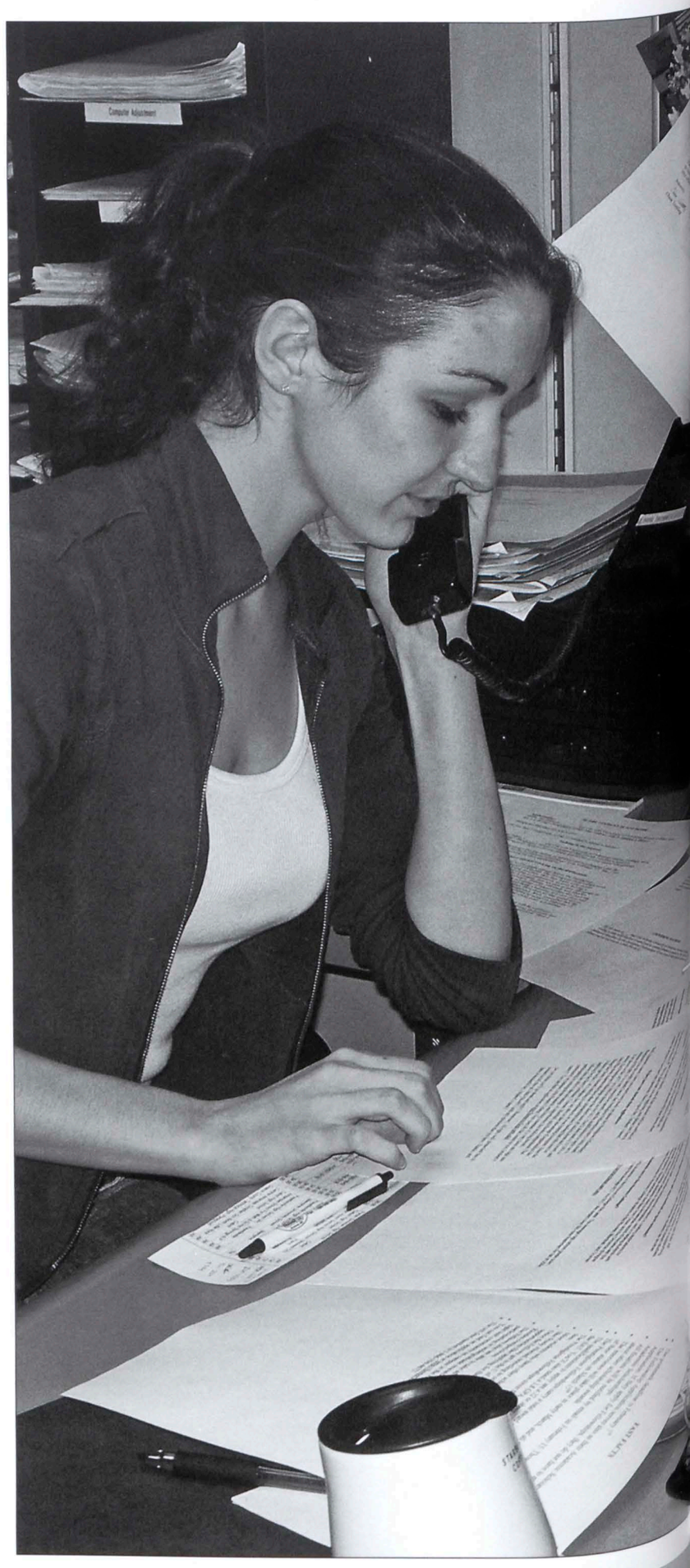


Monday through Friday and even into into the weekend, academics challenged students' thinking through research papers, projects and hands-on experience. Regardless of the course, university curriculum continued to stimulate students' minds.

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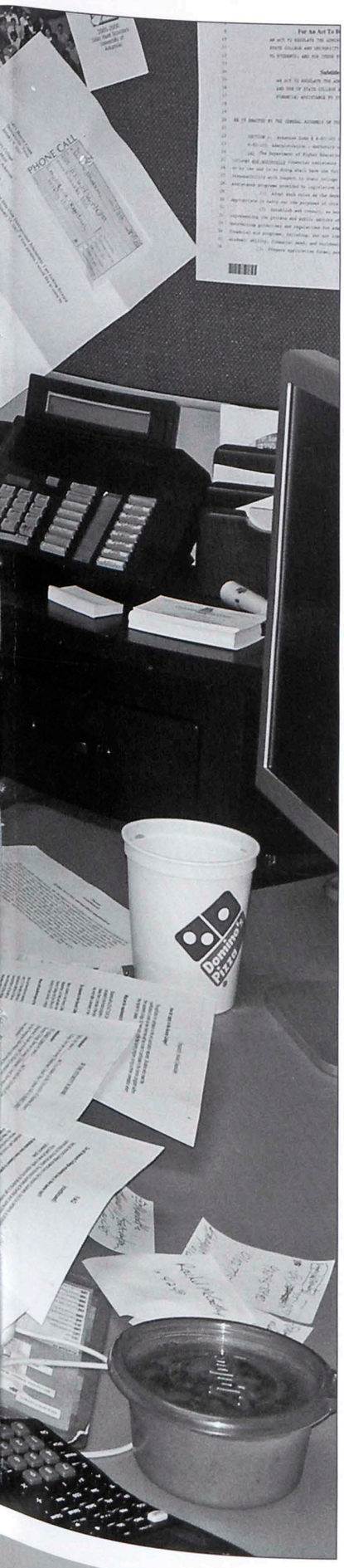




Honors College Ambassadors conduct a telephone campaign in Old Main. Often, the ambassadors shared their experiences with prospective students to give a first-hand account of what it was like to be in the Honors College.

Opposite page: Ambassadors make calls during an Honors College phone campaign. Ambassadors conducted tours, helped with registration and visited high schools to promote the honors college. PHOTOS BY GIGI HOLDER

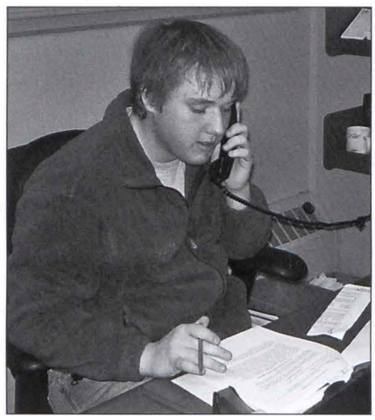
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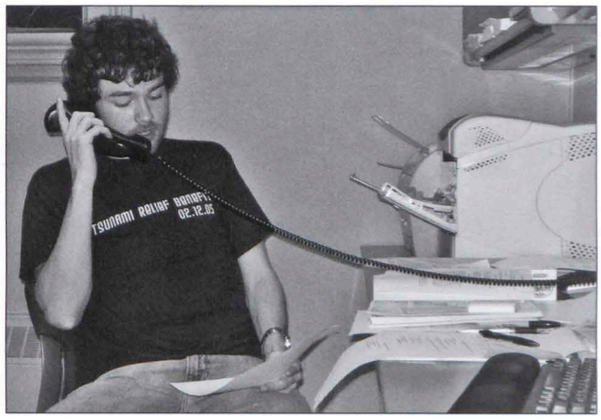


REACHING out

Honors College ambassadors give their time to help others

BY SHAUNA VO





With the growing academic competition between universities and the growing competition between entering freshmen for scholarships, the Honors College developed a program in which students guided prospective students through the challenges of deciding if the Honors College was right for them.

"Our best voices are the students," said Maribeth Lynes, director of Honors College recruitment.

The Honors Ambassadors were about 50 students who were selected through an interview process. Because recruiters could not be at every high school in Arkansas or around the nation, the ambassadors got the opportunity to help others learn about the opportunities the Honors College offered for undergraduates. These included competitive scholarships, study abroad opportunities and scholarships.

The ambassadors made return visits to their high schools, usually in the smaller towns, to share their positive experiences at the University. For prospective University students, "it's different if you hear someone talk about their experiences in the classroom," Lynes said.

Ambassadors also gave prospective Honors College students tours of the campus, helped with registration and took part in student panels at the Arkansas Union, talking about their experiences with the Honors College.

"I want to help people the same way they have helped me," said sophomore Kristin Faulk, a member of the Honors Ambassadors. "I know how it is going through the interviewing process for a fellowship and I like that I get to help other students calm down and let them know it will be okay."

Faulk helped recruit prospective honors students throughout the year, supervised students during the interviews for fellowships, gave campus tours and visited her high school, Mount St. Mary's, to inform other students about the UA and the Honors College.

"I love the University of Arkansas and I want to let people hear about it even if they decide to go here or not," she said.

..sharing experiences...helping others...ambassadors..



The coach for the poultry judging team, Jason Emmert, talks to the team prior to the announcing of the results of the competition. The national contest was hosted by the UA in November.

Ashley Reeves, a sophomore poultry science major, practices her poultry judging techniques before the competition. The team gained national recognition by placing fourth in the student-run competition.

Opposite page: Sawyer Hale and Megan Norton perfect their techniques on two broilers, before being observed by the judges. The team practiced several times each week leading up to the competition so they could easily identify desirable poultry traits. COURTESY PHOTOS



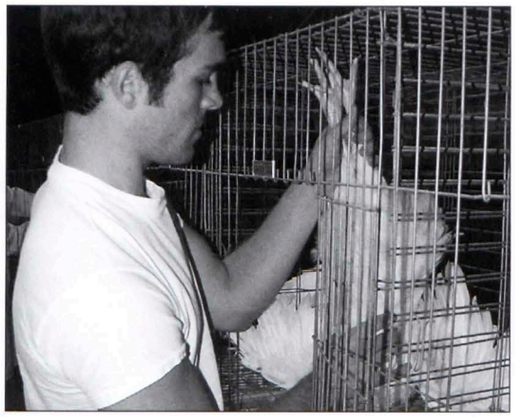
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FOWL play

Students place fourth in national poultry judging competition

BY MALLORY SMITH





The UA poultry judging team brought home fourth place in a national judging competition that was held on their home turf, the Pauline Whitaker Animal Science Center.

Sophomores Sawyer Hale and Ashley Reeves, and juniors Jada Thompson and Megan Norton, made up the award-winning team. The four began judging poultry together when they were students at Lincoln High School, where they were also members of FFA and members of the state 1-1 champion poultry judging team. Among the few universities in the nation that offer programs in poultry science, these students helped prove that the UA deserved to be one of the top.

The intensive competition required students to judge poultry in the categories of live birds, carcasses as well as eggs, and in a number of classes related to each category said Thompson, who obtained the second highest individual score in the competition.

Although the four judged as a team in high school, there was no guarantee that they all had a spot on the UA team. They faced competition from other students in their judging class for a chance to be on the team.

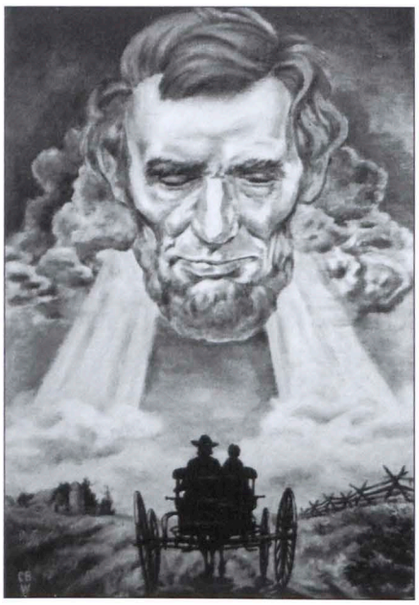
In order to win the competition, students and judges scored the poultry in each class, and then the scores were compared for accuracy. In preparation for the event, the team's coach Jason Emmert would simulate a competition environment during their class time devoted to learning poultry judging. In addition to class time, the team would practice together three additional times per week.

"We always have a lot of fun at practices, we make a lot of jokes and goof around. Its like basketball practice, but with chickens!" Reeves said. The rest of the team agreed that practicing judging was the most fun aspect of being on the team. "They're my family! Everyone is so loud and goofy and we have been together for so long," Thompson said.

Students learned judging techniques by repetition and became experts on broilers, chickens that are eaten, as well as pullets, chickens that lay eggs.

"It was a tough competition and these students really worked hard and prepared themselves for the event," Emmert said.

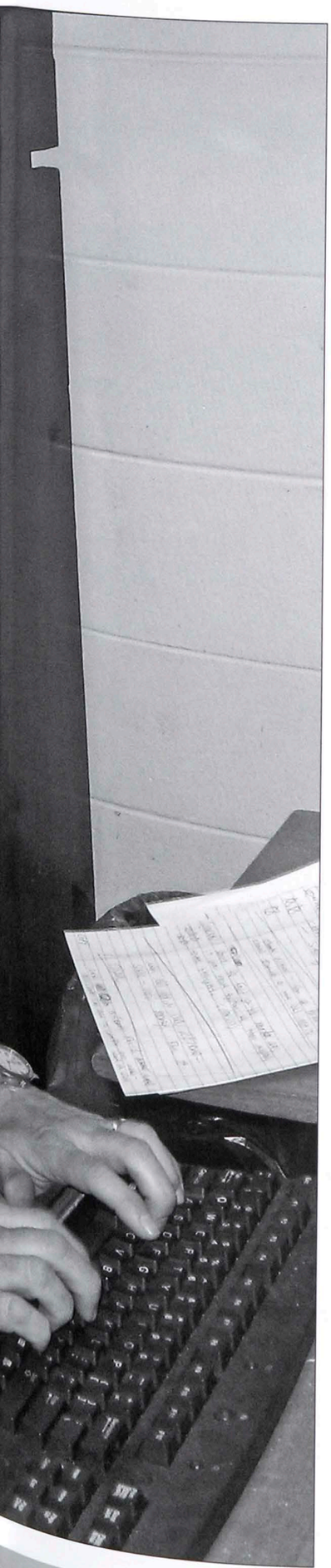
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Much of Charles Banks Wilson's work, like the piece above, deals with The old West and Native Americans. Foley spent five years gathering information, stories and artwork so that he could chronicle the life of this extraordinary visionary.

Foley prepares materials for his documentary film making class. Throughout the five years it took to create his film, Foley shared his experiences with his classes with the hopes of inspiring his students to tell their own story. PHOTOS BY STACY RYBURN

...native american artwork...paintings...biography...



HISTORY IN the making

Professor Larry Foley captures life story of renowned artist

BY PRECIOUS TEMPLE

UA journalism Professor Larry Foley usually spent his days instructing students on the basic knowledge needed to construct a quality documentary. Foley enjoyed educating his students on the rules of creating successful documentaries, but he also displayed his passion for the field through his personal productions.

Professor Foley premiered his new documentary entitled "Charles Banks Wilson: Portrait of an American Artist" supporting the 13th annual Native American Symposium at the UA. Foley was in the process of making a documentary on the period of the Louisiana Purchase when he met renowned artist Charles Wilson. Foley was immediately intrigued by Wilson's paintings on Native Americans; he then began his 5-year journey of making a documentary honoring Wilson's paintings.

"He was the most gracious and generous in what he had for me to use," Foley said. "I was captivated by him."

Foley was captivated by not only Wilson's work, but he was even more fascinated by the stories of Wilson's life; he knew that "it was time to tell his story," Foley said.

Professor Foley believed it was time for Wilson to get the recognition he deserved. Foley took a personal approach in documenting Wilson's life story; he wanted the story to be more than just another documentary.

"The film is not only about a man I'm profiling," Foley said. "I got to the point where I thought, 'I need to finish this. I want to finish this.'"

This production profiled not only an incredible artist, but also Foley's developing friendship with Wilson.

"Charles has an incredible zest for life, and a love of what he does. He's 88 years old now, but he gets up every morning to work on a new drawing or painting," Foley said. "When you call him up he's going to tell you what he's working on today. I wanted to capture the essence of who Charles is."

Information for this story provided by the 9/29/06 Arkansas Traveler article

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INNOVATIVE landscapes

School of Architecture lets students design for the future

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

The overall goal of designing any play space is to create an environment that can allow children to interact and enrich their work of play. Landscape architecture students were challenged to conceive playgrounds with both fun and stimulating activities. And an even bigger challenge was designing a terrain implementing safety while bringing learning outdoors for the Benton County Sunshine School which served toddlers, preschool children and adults with disabilities as well as those children without special needs.

Four teams of upper-level students from the UA landscape architecture program worked with professor Judy Brittenum to carry out extensive research on the site including examining the sun, wind, drainage systems, soil and how the children reacted and played. The Sunshine School staff envisioned an outdoor learning play space extending outside the traditional classroom for its students.

Beyond the conventional playground equipment like monkey bars, tire swings and slides, the students envisioned nature trails, a corn maze, sculptured land forms and horse stables to serve the children with special needs.

Native American arrowheads and rock tools were unearthed during construction of the new school building that became the vision of one group's design. Students also implemented wheelchair-accessible play equipment and interactive play items such as tricycle tracks, water features, sand tables and transparent walls students can paint on.

"We tried to find activities and equipment that would engage and challenge both children with and without disabilities," said third-year student Julie Russell.

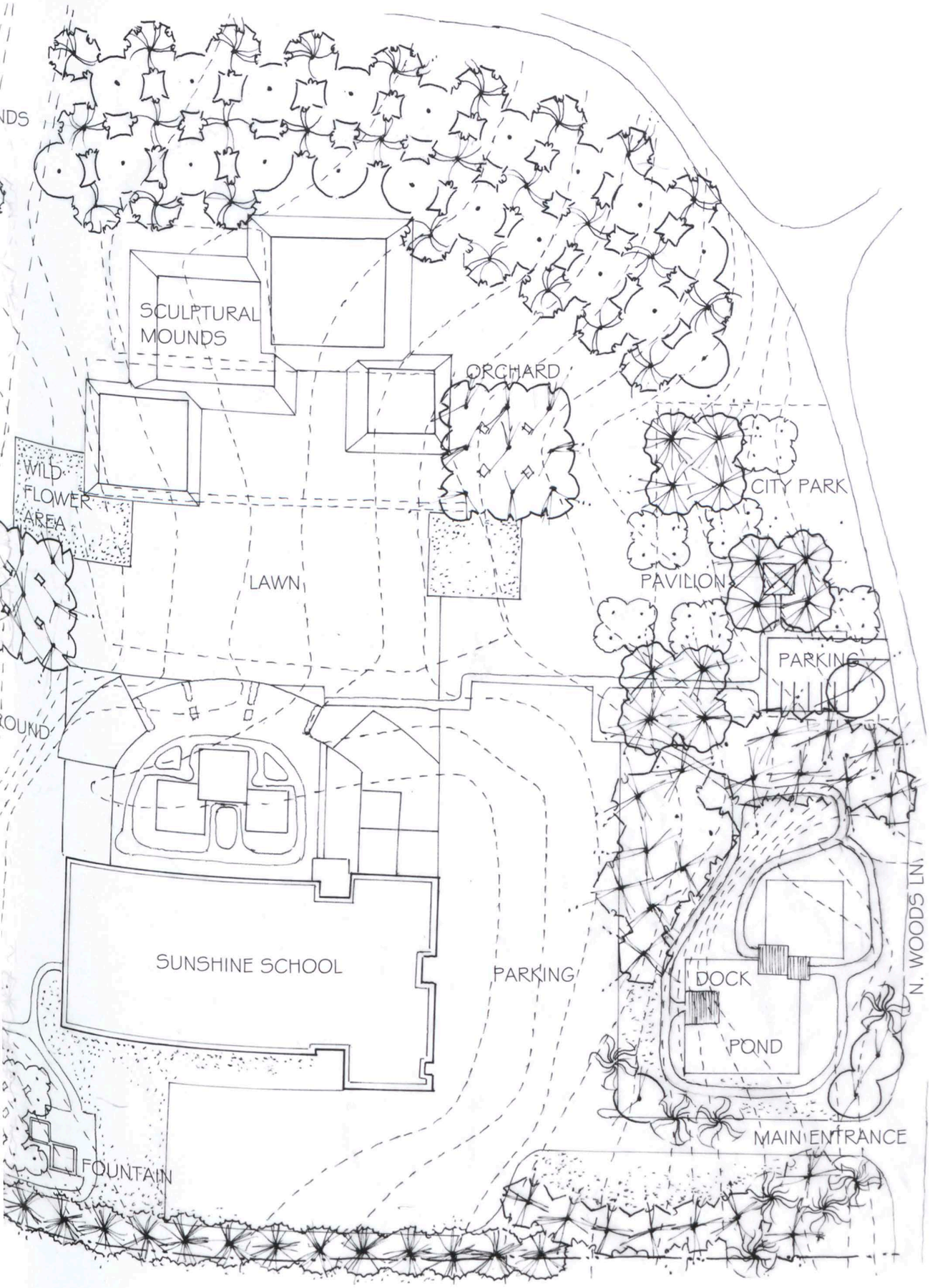
One group of students proposed a landscape of landform sculptures where children could climb and play which transformed the landscape into three-dimensional geometry. Another group added a horse therapy section to allow students to interact with nine horses on nine and a half acres of pastureland.

The landscape architecture students presented their ideas Nov. 15 at the 40,000 square-foot facility on a 17-acre parcel of land in Rogers. The presentation was the culmination of the long-term project encouraging the future architects to address real-life applications.

"The playground is vital," said Leta Shockley, executive director of the Sunshine School. "It's an extension of the classroom – they work on goals and objectives out there."



...extension...stimulating...groundbreaking...safety.



The four groups of landscape architecture students presented their renderings of the playground at the Benton County Sunshine School. Students transformed the landscape to encourage imaginative play and group activities for children with disabilities. COURTESY RENDERING

playful...extension...environment...transformation..



UA business students Will Slabaugh, Sarah Topham, Becky Miller, John David Tamas and their professor John Norwood stand outside of the Leonard N. Stern School of Business in New York City. The students attended the fourth annual Stern Summit on Global Business with students from more than 100 colleges across the nation.

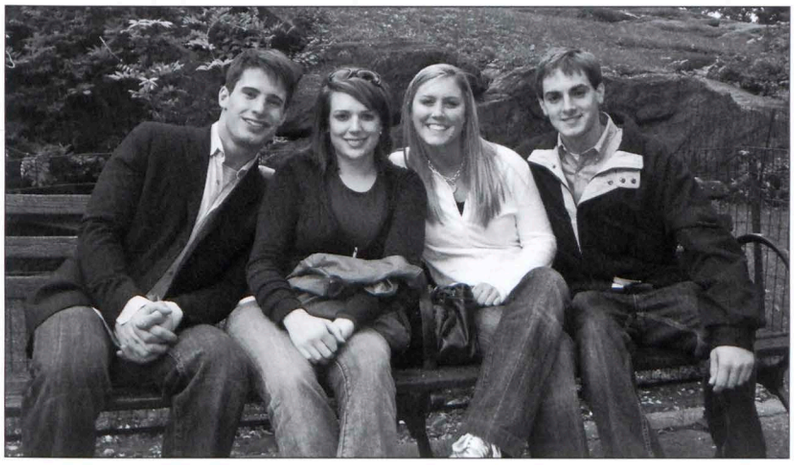
The four business students spend some free time around New York City. While the students weren't competing at the summit and researching emerging stocks, they had enough free time to enjoy the sights of the city, including the Broadway play "The Producers." COURTESY PHOTOS

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HANDS-ON learning

UA business students attend national Stern Summit

BY MEGAN GARNER



It's not everyday that students can say their classwork involved managing a real stock fund or taking a trip to New York City, but that is just what a few members of the Walton College portfolio management class did.

Seniors Will Slabaugh, John David Tamas, Sarah Topham and Becky Miller traveled to New York University to attend the fourth annual Stern Summit on Global Business with other schools throughout the country.

During the summit Slabaugh and Tamas competed and came in third in the second annual Investment Analysis Competition.

"This was a great honor for the University of Arkansas and the Walton College, especially since they were competing against such top schools," said John Norwood, associate professor of business law. "These fourth-year Walton Scholars are among the highest academic achievers in the college."

The competition involved asking the students to evaluate, research and present their findings on an emerging market.

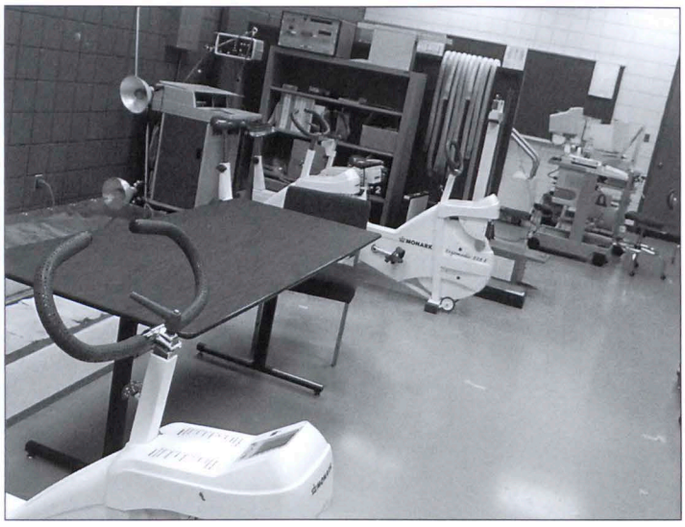
"We were told to pick an emerging market's stock to pitch to a board of NYU Stern alumni," Slabaugh said. "We also prepared a Discounted Cash Flows analysis of the firm, which included a 'model' of the firm's performance in the future."

The class spent time managing a real stock fund of approximately $1.37 million. Slabaugh served as the fund technology analyst in the class, while Tamas was fund manager and health care analyst.

Their hands-on learning and real-world experience paid off in the New York competition, and according to Slabaugh, would continue to do so in the future.

"It really reinforced what professors such as Dr. Rennie, the professor of the portfolio management class, have been telling us," Slabaugh said. "We really can compete on the same stage as anyone from any business school in the country. The Walton College really does give students more 'real world' experience than most schools, and this shows in competitions and more importantly, in job interviews."

portfolio...experience...professional growth...business



Researchers of the stress experiment used a wide variety of equipment and methods to test stress levels. The most common method used was testing saliva for the Cortisol hormone. PHOTOS BY TRISTAN EVANS



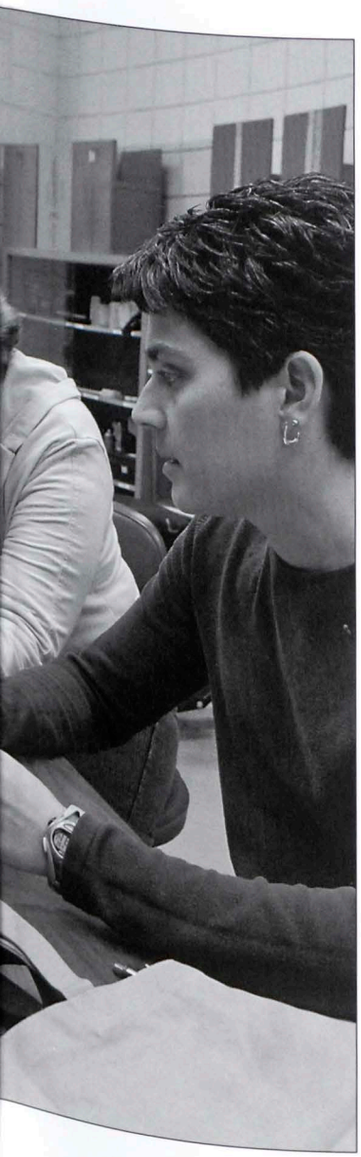
Researchers of the College of Education and Health Professions review data collected from participants of their stress experiment. The experiment focused solely on Cortisol, a stress hormone released in the body.

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STRESSED out

Faculty conduct experiments testing caregiver stress levels

BY COURTNEY CAMPBELL





Thirty faculty and staff members of the College of Education and Health Professions participated in an experiment to test the stress levels of caregivers.

The experiment focused on those who cared for another adult, particularly parents or in-laws. Of the 30 participants, 20 were caregivers and 10 were controls. The participants chewed on a small stick of cotton for a few minutes each day to measure the amount of cortisol, a stress hormone linked to heart disease and diabetes, in the saliva of the participants. This experiment had been ongoing for several years.

UA researchers Ro DiBrezzo and Barbara Shadden sent questionnaires to all UA employees in 1999 after the Office for Studies on Aging was established in the College of Education and Health Professions. Shadden, a professor and director of the communications disorder program, and DiBrezzo, a professor of kinesiology and director of the UA Human Performance Laboratory, co-directed the Office for Studies on Aging.

The questionnaires were made to observe differences between the health and stress of caregivers and non-caregivers. The objective of the experiment was to determine the health status of caregivers. DiBrezzo said she hoped the experiment would show if a person's circumstances have more effect than a person's ability to deal with stress.

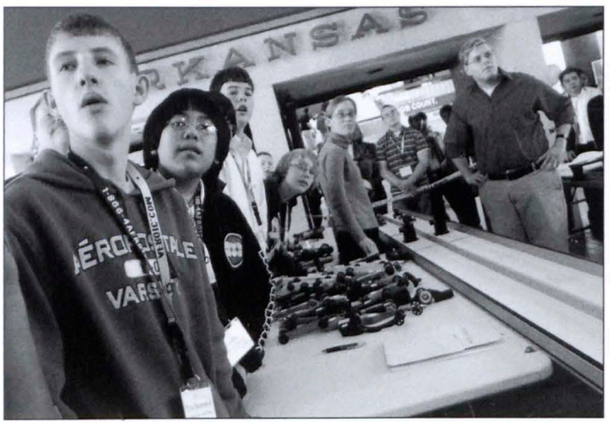
"When someone is chronically stressed, the persistent high levels of cortisol can be a direct indicator of abdominal obesity and other health risks," DiBrezzo said.

Bone density, glucose, cholesterol, blood pressure, obesity, depression, health relative to quality life, and well-being were extended measures in this study.

"We're in a culture where we multi-task and people who multi-task are more successful; however, there's a fine line between being successful and adding too much," DiBrezzo said. "Today people are living longer and there are a lot of people who aren't in nursing homes."

The researchers hoped to intervene in people's lives and show them ways to reduce stress. The data was collected by December and then the researchers took a month and a half to analyze it.

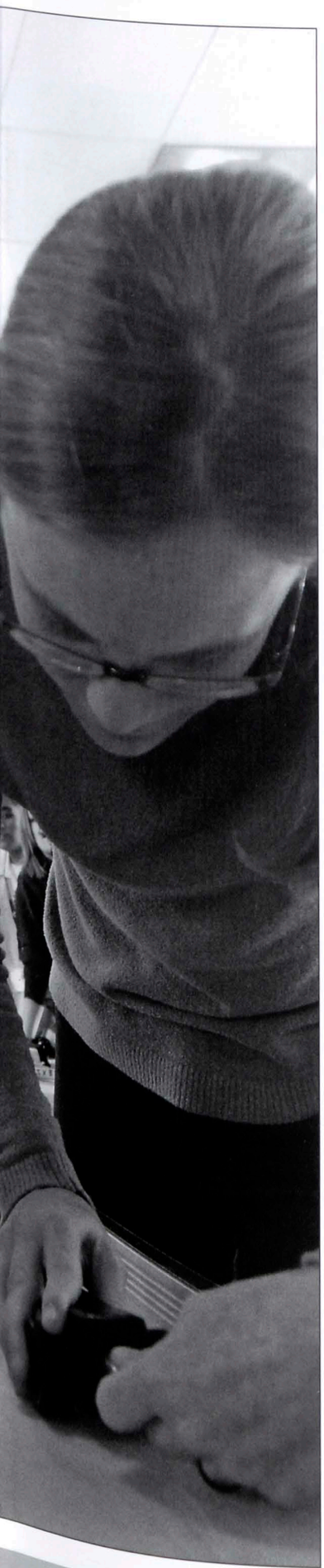
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In preparation for the races at the Razorback Technology Challenge, the track showcasing students' dragsters is lined with the miniature cars. The drag races were aimed at prospective students to get them excited about pursuing a career in the field of engineering.

Above: Students eagerly watch as their homemade dragsters fly down a track in the Union Connections Lounge. Opposite page left to right: Students admire the balsa wood towers before they were demolished. Built for speed, the carbon dioxide powered cars are displayed before the races. COURTESY PHOTOS

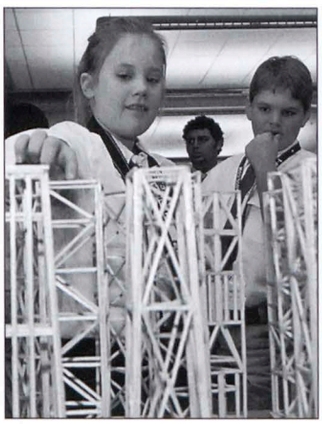
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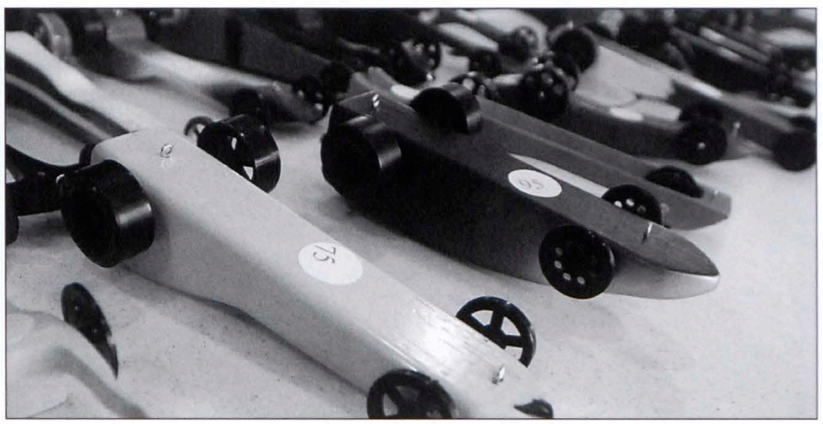


TECH teachings

The engineering college invites local youth to study and learn

BY MALLORY SMITH





Miniature dragsters sped down a track assembled in the Union Connections Lounge and small scale buildings crunched under pressure as engineering students and faculty shared their wisdom with prospective students.

Throughout the year, the engineering college worked with local junior high and high school students to promote their field of study as well as to prepare them for an education in engineering. The college invited students from across the state and Oklahoma to campus for events that would test their knowledge and introduce them to engineering and technology concepts.

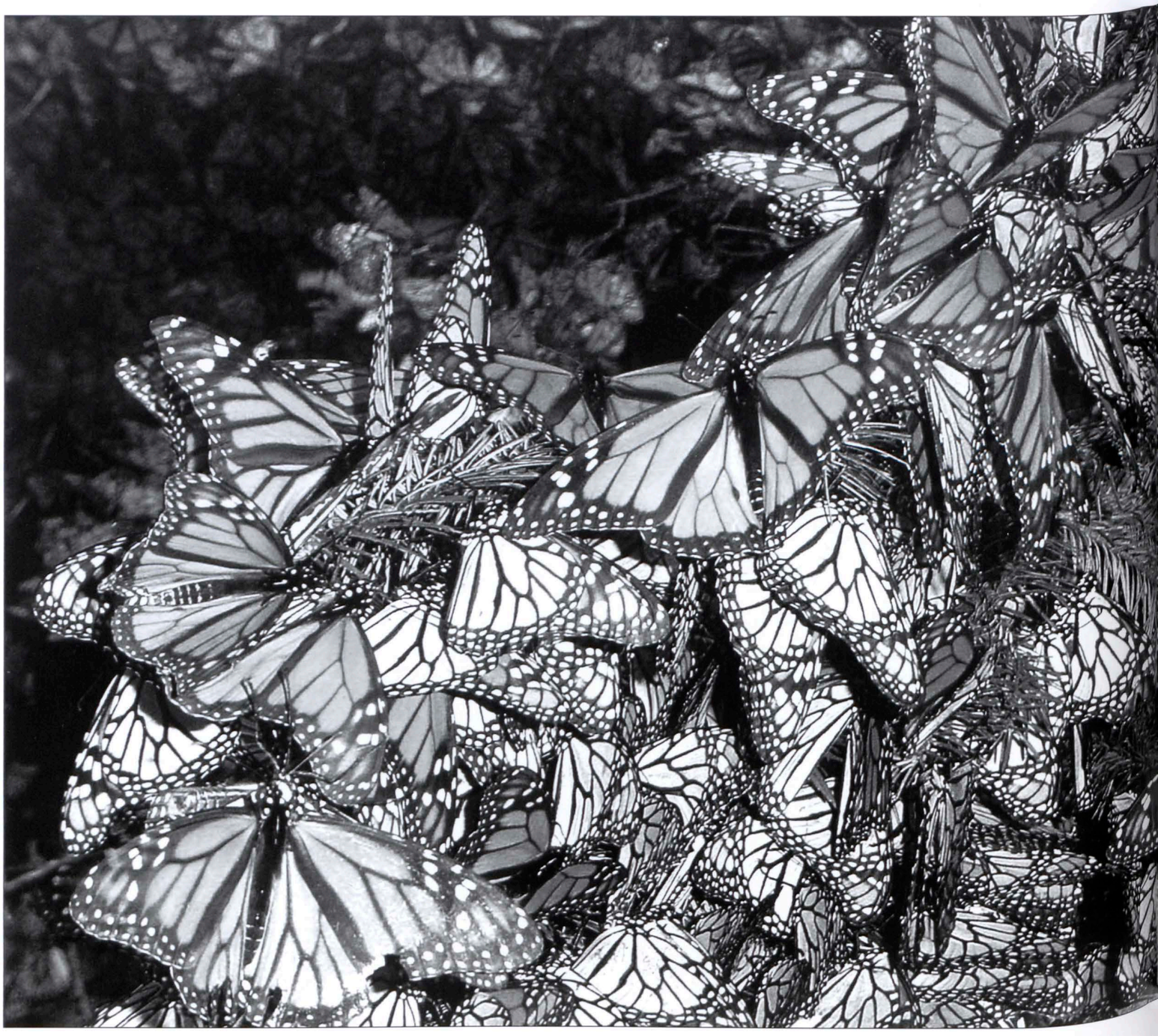
In December, 300 junior high and high school students came to show off their talents in several competitions in the Razorback Technology Challenge. Prior to their arrival, students built simple carbon dioxide powered dragsters that they showed, raced and ultimately destroyed as part of the contest.

Students participating in the challenge also constructed towers out of balsa wood in an effort to create one that could withstand more pressure than its competitors. To measure the pressure, a machine was used that was invented by UA professor of technology education, Michael K. Daugherty.

"The Razorback Technology Challenge was an effort to get young people excited about technology and engineering and open their eyes to exciting career opportunities in these fields," Daugherty said. The Technology Student Organization, a group comprised of 150,000 members dedicated to promoting literacy in technology, sanctioned the events.

In addition to the Razorback Technology Challenge, the College of Engineering also hosted the IE Challenge. In December, students from Farmington and Gravette were asked to conceptualize, design as well as demonstrate equipment to be used during winter months.

The competition was judged by students in the College of Engineering and after the devices had been presented, students were given a tour of the Bell Engineering Center. These events showed prospective students the excitement a career in engineering could offer.





Left: The UA group that toured the monarch butterfly preserves in Mihoacan, Mexico stop to smile for a picture. They included: Front row, left to right Robin Verble, Becky Trout, Jackie McKern and Stephanie Hebert. Second row: Lauren Fryxell, John Riggins, Matt McKern, Rob Wiedenmann and Craig Shelton.

Above: A cluster of monarch butterflies cling to a bush in Mihoacan, Mexico. These butterfly clusters could become so massive they actually weighed down and bent tree branches. More than one hundred million Monarchs migrated to this area every winter.

Opposite page left to right: Butterflies fill the skies of Mexico during the winter to escape the cold. A grad student studies the butterflies along with a young Razorback fan. Butterflies carpet the ground of Mihoacan. PHOTOS COURTESY OF JOHN RIGGINS

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SPREAD your wings

Grad students study Monarch butterflies in Mexico

BY STACY RYBURN







When a team of UA students and faculty riding in two separate cars became lost on the streets of Morelia, Mexico for two and a half hours, the Department Head of Entomology Robert Wiedenmann didn't panic.

"I was a little more level-headed than some of my colleagues," he said.

An excursion in Mihoacan was part of a four-day expedition students made to butterfly preserves near Angangueo, where swarms of monarch butterflies migrate for the winter.

Butterflies, in estimates of over 100 million, flock to the El Rosario and Chincua preserves every winter to escape the harsh weather. Wiedenmann led a group of seven graduates to the site in January to see the butterflies for themselves.

"You can't describe it as just amazing," said Robin Verble, entomology graduate student. Clusters of butterflies in some areas of the reservations compile enough to even weigh down the branches of trees, Wiedenmann said.

"That's a boatload of butterflies," he said. "It's pretty remarkable."

The students hiked the mountains where the reserves were located at altitudes of up to 13,000 feet. The students also rode on horseback to the reservations without any major follies, despite a number of them being inexperienced in the ways of horse-back riding.

In addition to the unfamiliarity with horses, the students also faced challenges with language and culture. Researcher Luis Rodriguez, a colleague of Wiedenmann's, served as translator for the group, along with his nine-year-old son Damian, who gave the group language lessons throughout the trip.

"[Damian] spoke about as much English as I did Spanish," Verble said. "We would play a game where I would point at something, and he would say what it was in Spanish and I would say what it was in English. It was a trade game."

Wiedenmann got the idea to make the trip after visiting the sites two years beforehand while he was still Head of Entomology at the University of Illinois. Wiedenmann said he hopes to make the trip every year, but will have to wait and see what the future holds.

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Law school students participate in a mock trial on March 8 in the UA School of Law. The trials used actual cases that had passed through the courts so the students could gain real-life experience before a panel of judges.

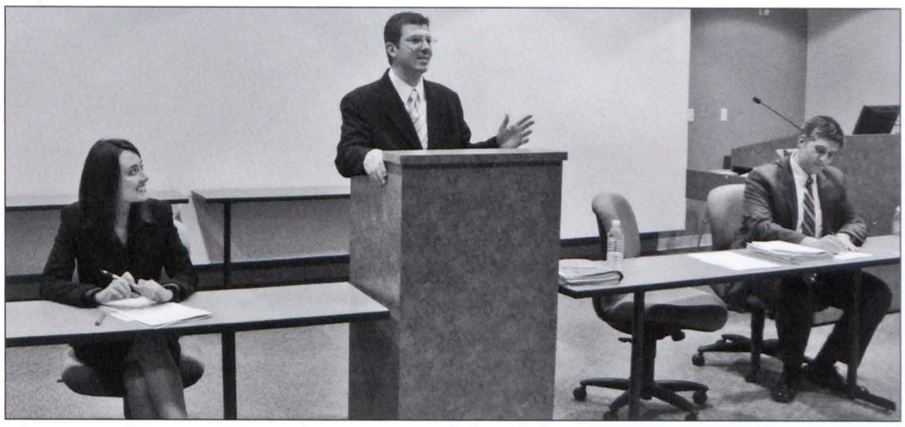
Opposite page: A law school student argues his case before a panel of judges and his peers. Each of the students were given 15 minutes to argue their cases and to answer questions from the judges. PHOTOS BY ERIKA SIMMONS.

..practice...moot court...development...justice...team

LEGAL practice

Law students gain experience through moot court competition

BY JEFF HOBSON



Practice makes perfect, and practice is what students in the UA School of Law found when they participated in moot court trials. Arguing in front of what Phillip Stone, a level two student who participated in the mock trials in March, equivocated to going before the highest court in the land.

"The moot court competition is basically arguing before the Supreme Court in the educational sense," Stone explained.

Out of the level two class, 64 students were chosen through a lottery system to participate. Once the field of 64 was chosen it was reduced to 32; the field was then reduced to 16. This reduction continued until the finals. On that night, Stone was due to meet the court and his opponents in the semifinal round. With just four teams remaining, the pressure was undoubtedly tense.

The cases brought before the court had made their way through the legal system from the initial trial until they reached the circuit court. Once there, the cases came to a dead end, in real life, but the moot court took them to another level.

Stone explained that the cases are the result of a split decision at the circuit court level or when "there is a split across the country as to whether a decision should be rendered one way or another." The cases "are real cases and real issues, but they have not reached the Supreme Court-or-else we would have nothing left to argue," Stone said.

Each team of two members was faced with very stringent and arduous circumstances that made the experience quite intense. Given just 15 minutes to argue their case, each side, the plaintiff and the defendant, not only had to make their case for their side, but they were also forced, in this restricted time frame, to answer questions from the bench of three judges dressed in the traditional black robe.

In the end, winning the case was just icing on the cake. The real reward was the experience gained by arguing in a realistic courtroom setting which would be necessary when the day came to argue before a real judge with real consequences.

work...preparation...compete...experience...learning.

In the words of our... chancellor

Dr. John White

Full Name:
Dr. John Austin White, Jr.

Everyday at my job...
I meet lots of great people.

If I were not the UA Chancellor...
I would be retired.

If I could trade places with anyone for a day...
I would be a student because it would give me a better appreciation of what life is like for our students.

My favorite restaurant in Fayetteville is...
Ella's at the Inn at Carnall Hall.

I bet you did not know that...
I'm a Golden Goblin from Harrison, Ark.

My favorite book is...
The Gospel of John from the Bible. I've also read all of the "Harry Potter" books.

My favorite movie is...
"Remember the Titans" or "Ray." I thought that was a very interesting movie.

On a typical day off...
I play golf, if the weather is good. I usually don't have many days off. I always go to all of the home athletic events that I can.

My favorite part of being Chancellor is...
Being around the students. That's it.





In the words of our... associate dean of students

Aisha Kenner





Full Name:
Aisha S. Kenner

Everyday at my job...
I facilitate contacts with faculty members about student issues and I also chair the RazorCat group that helps students with difficulties.

If I could trade places with anyone for a day...
I would be Barack Obama so that I could be involved with the Senate and politics from an African American perspective.

My favorite restaurant in Fayetteville is...
Thai Diner.

I bet you did not know that...
I have twin boys.

My favorite book is...
Anything by Wally Lamb or James Patterson.

My favorite movie is...
Shawshank Redemption.

On a typical day off...
I would hang out with my husband and my sons.

My favorite part of my job is...
Interacting with the students and being able to help students.



Left: Jason Engstrom, playing King Oberon leans over the sleeping Yuko Takeda as Katie Sherves stands by. The actors playing fairies went through hours of full body stage make-up in order to achieve Midsummer's fantasy effect.PHOTOSCOURTESY OF SHAWN IRISH

Above: Kristopher Stoker as a donkey is surrounded by fairies. Costumes for the play were inspired by traditional Hindi dress and were done in hues of blue, violet and bright orange.

Opposite page left to right: Yuko Takeda and Jason Engstrom as Oberon and Titainia pose for a dramatic scene.
Student actors perform their re-interpretation of a scene from a Shakespeare classic.

...choreography...debut performance...shakespeare...



MIDSUMMER reworked

Drama department puts a new spin on a Shakespeare classic

BY BRANDON EDWARDS





The drama department struck gold with a twist on Shakespeare's classic, "A Midsummer Night's Dream." The comedy was put into an Indian style and vision from its director Roger Gross.

"I chose India as the setting because it seemed the perfect, timeless place for magic and beauty and color. I was right: the setting inspired our costume designer to the most brilliant display of color and textures I've ever seen on our stage," Gross said.

The drama season was based off the mixing and matching of titles pitched from several directors and then based on which shows would work nicely together, and on budget and audience appeal. Performances of "A Midsummer" were at the University Theatre Nov. 10-11 and 15-18 with matinées Nov. 12 and 19.

While the production starred many regulars of the drama department it also gave an opportunity for new students to stretch their acting muscles. The play was a first college acting experience for freshman Cass Trumbo of Fayetteville, Arkansas.

"I just wanted to get the experience of being in a play. I didn't think I would get a part. I thought I would get a stage hand position," Trumbo said. Trumbo was cast as one of King Oberon's attendants and as part of his role he bled on stage.

"As little as I know about acting, I still enjoy it because it gives me a chance to play with and experience emotions I don't usually have. I really enjoyed seeing it all come together," Trumbo said.

The story follows two romantic couples encounters with fairies and was written in Shakespeare's light classical lyrical style.

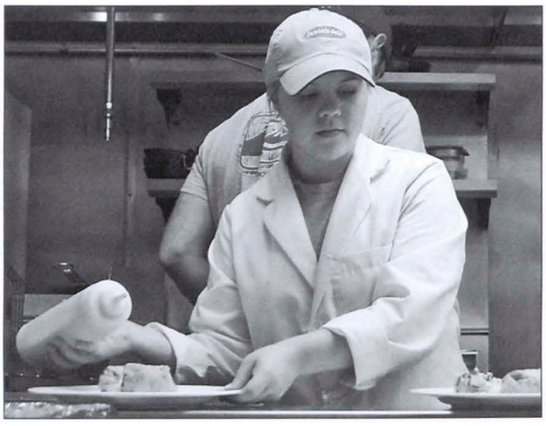
This was the fourth time Gross had directed "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

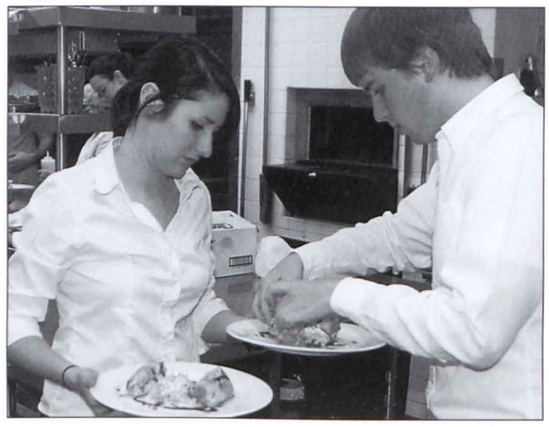
"Each time I've chosen it," Gross said, "I believe it is the most entertaining play ever written with a bit of everything and something for everyone: thwarted love of the young aristocrats, the low farce of the rustics, a magical forest with a war between the King and Queen of the Fairies and a corps of beautiful fairies, plus the imp Puck. You name it, Dream has it."

TOP chef

Learning the ropes around a kitchen in a restaurant management class

BY CAROLYN FINNIE







From Puerto Rican cuisine to Thai food, students introduced international cuisine while learning the ins and outs of the service industry, acting as managers, cooks, dishwashers and waiters for a lab and lecture class within the concentration of food, human nutrition and hospitality.

Each week, the "food preparation for the hospitality industry" class developed a menu, prepared and served the meal based on reservations from the community at Ella's Restaurant at the Inn at Carnall Hall. The lecture consisted of putting together a book complete with a menu, advertisements and evaluations. And every Monday, the class was put to the test in the kitchen and dining room, to prepare the students for service oriented professions in the hospitality industry.

"Time management is definitely something they learn," said Allen Powell, the class instructor referring to outside work and preparation beyond the two-hour lecture and six-hour laboratory.

The class was divided into groups of two and challenged to think of a food concept, create a menu and perform a nutrition analysis. The students had to develop a menu that stayed within a budget, as well as advertise for their night.

Two students designed "An Evening at Aesop's Table," a 3-course meal of a Waldorf salad, a cheese-stuffed chicken breast with tomato basil sauce over orzo pasta, fresh green beans and cheese garlic biscuits. For dessert, a banana cake with cream cheese icing was served.

The overall goal was to prepare and service food for large groups while keeping in mind cost control, sanitation, safety and overall quality assurance of fine food.

They prepared a three course meal of an appetizer, entrée and dessert that costs $12.

On average, the class served 50 customers each Monday night and received feedback from comment cards on their performance which were reviewed the following week in class.

"We have a good mix of students, faculty, staff and community members that come each night," Powell said.

.kitchen...cuisine...human nutrition...hospitality...fine



Opposite page, left to right: Senior Laura Yanowski prepares food on "Thai night" at Ella's Restaurant at Carnall Hall.
Senior dietetics major Melissa Muncy and junior Ross Barber add the finishing touches to the entrees before serving customers in the dining room.

The class was split into groups of two and switched off as managers, chefs, wait staff and dish-washers. Each group developed a theme and meal concept and pitched it to their instructor. PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL

dining...management...menu...appetizer...entree...

PASSING the test

Students rate food based on appearance, flavor and texture for research in the sensory qualities of the food industry

BY SHAUNA VO



Students were always looking for ways to make fast cash, whether it was through a part-time job or donating plasma to BioLife. Students looked to parents and even those anonymous e-mailed surveys for money.

Student expenses not only included books, but also living expenses such as groceries, gas and the list goes on. Wouldn't it be nice to have groceries paid for by tasting food?

The UA Department of Food Science conducted consumer food testing, recruited respondents and paid the consumer with a Wal-Mart gift card, with amounts depending on how long the test was.

"I made $300 for groceries one month," said senior communication major Jennifer Nguyen. Nguyen found out about the database her freshman year and has participated ever since.

"You have to reply to the e-mails quickly, because it is hard to get selected and sometimes I won't have the same availability as the times they post," she said.

There were about 1,500 entries in the data base, consisting of not only students but also consumers outside the UA community and only 75 people are chosen for each test, said Jean-Francois Meullenet, associate professor of food science.

The rheology and sensory research program, coordinated by Meullenet, combined research methods to address the challenges that faced the food industry with respect to the sensory quality of foods.

National food companies, such as Unilever, which makes SlimFast, yogurt companies, such as Yoplait and Dannon and regional meat companies, such as Tyson participated in the research, Meullenet said.

Meullenet weighed the opinions of average consumers and the conclusions of a professional panel to develop the tools usable in product development.

The program was selective but the food testing gave great insight into what the industry was trying to achieve.

"It's worth signing up for," Nguyen said.



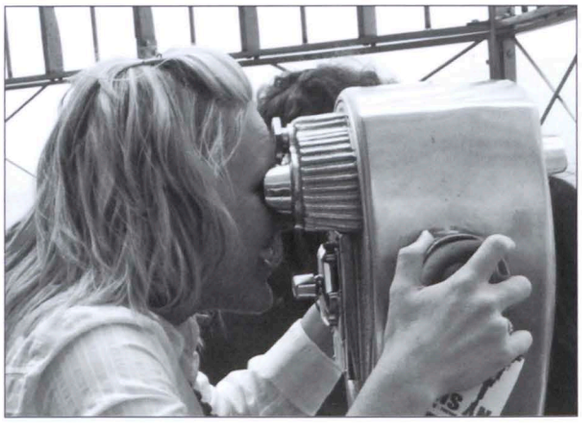
...savory boneless chicken breast...muscadine juic



Opposite page: In Jean-Francois Meullenet's UA laboratory, students wait to taste different foods to give insight into the challenges of the food industry on the sensory qualities of food. The lab staff insured the anonymity of the product samples so the testers were focused on what they were tasting and not the association with a particular brand.

While students taste the different foods, they plug their likes and dislikes on a rating scale according to factors like appearance, aroma, flavor and texture into a computer database. The goal of the lab was to help processors meet the growing consumer appetite for certain foods. PHOTOS BY GIGI HOLDER

...blended berry yogurt...ready to drink diet shake...





Apparel studies students listen to a presentation given by Richard Leeds. During their trip, the group visited many designer's studios including Kenneth Cole and bridal designer, Lazaro.

Above: After visiting with major designers, and learning about the fashion industry, students were finally able to enjoy the diversity of New York City as they took a break from projects and seminars.
Opposite page: Shopping until they drop, Arkansas fashion students enjoyed a day in Chinatown.
COURTESY PHOTOS

..apparel studies...fashion industry...projects...trend



INDUSTRY experience

Eager apparel studies students study fashion in the Big Apple

BY SHANNON SANDERS





Apparel studies students took field trips to the next level when they traveled to New York City for an educational fashion industry tour last summer.

Thirty-six students in the School of Human Environmental Sciences, most of whom were apparel studies majors, went on a seven-day New York tour in May 2006.

"I learned that living in New York is fast paced and expensive, and that you have to be very aggressive," Jacquelyn Warnock said. "Fashion is not all about glitz and glamour, but hard work. In New York it is 24/7."

The goal of the trip was for students to get insight into the fashion industry and to gain experience in different areas of the fashion business.

The students had to complete a project in pairs that gave a market analysis of a specific company. The pairs researched the types of merchandise, store formats and customer backgrounds. Each group drew their company randomly and all research had to be completed while the students were in New York.

The trip included visits with industry professionals to learn about colors, trends and product development and design.

In one of the highlights of the trip, the students got to meet with bridal designer, Lazaro, and sportswear designer, Genes.

"I like to see the students get excited about what they are getting into," Dr. Laurie Apple said, who is a part of the UA apparel studies department and participated in the trip. Apple also said that the students' favorite part of the trip was "to see the industry first hand," and to experience "the heartbeat of the industry."

The group toured Macy's Herald Square and Jeffery's specialty department stores, and also got to hear from a UA Alumnus, Ashley Leonard, who conducted a seminar for the students.

The trip was not entirely focused on school, though. The group went to a Broadway play, visited Chinatown and toured several museums during free time while in New York.

"I shopped till I dropped, networked, listened to tour guides, went to business appointments, and attended Broadway shows," Warnock said.

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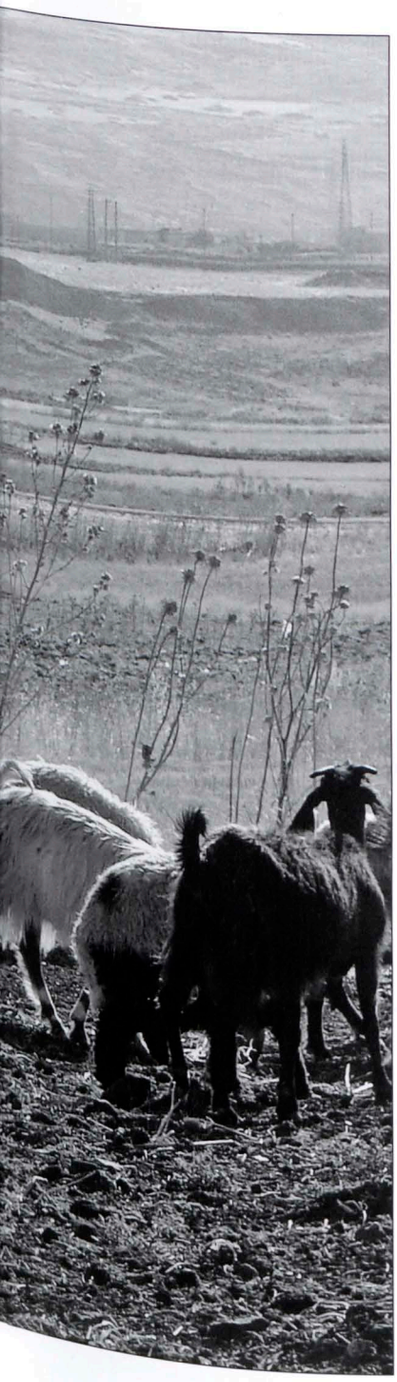


Above: A local shepherd tends his flock in northern Syria. Students had the chance to interact with and learn from the locals while abroad. COURTESY PHOTO

Left: A journalist's pub in the heart of London that survived the Great Fire of 1666. PHOTO BY MEGAN GARNER

Opposite page left to right: The Arc de Triomphe in Paris, the monastery facade at Petra, which is an archaeological site in Jordan and Big Ben in London. PHOTOS BY MEGAN GARNER AND COURTESY PHOTOS

..London...Sydney...Madrid...Buenos Aries...Havana



GOING global

Study abroad allows students to experience other cultures

BY MEGAN GARNER







The Mona Lisa. The Eiffel Tower. The ruins of the Coliseum. The Great Wall of China. The pyramids at Giza. The wailing wall in Jerusalem. These were things most people only see in books or magazines. But UA students who studied abroad got to see these pieces of history up close and personal.

With programs all over the world, from Syria to New Zealand to Japan, students had a wide variety of destinations to choose from. Anthropology major Carlos Ochoa spent a month studying archaeology in Syria. Ochoa traveled to surrounding countries as well, such as Jordan, where he trekked up a mountain to see the ruins of Petra.

"It takes quite a trek to reach the summit," Ochoa said. "The Bedouin, the indigenous nomadic population of much of the near East, offer tourists rides on donkeys. It is mostly the older people who fork out the cash for that one."

Ochoa made the climb unaided by a donkey, but found the hike entirely worth it.

"There is a large room at the bottom center of the monastery," Ochoa said. "The acoustics in that room rival the acoustics in any Roman Catholic church anywhere else in the world. While there I listened to some people singing hymns in that room. It was quite possibly the softest, most rich, angelic harmonies I have ever heard."

Ochoa also spent time getting to know the locals, and learning more about their way of life. He ended up making friends with quite a few of the people, and continued to learn from them long after he left them behind.

"The farmers of that region use the fields to graze their livestock and grow their crops," Ochoa said. "The farmers and shepherds were always around. They seemed as curious as to what we were doing as I was to how their lives worked. Sometimes this one particular shepherd would send me tea via their little children. The tea was so sweet. Sometimes too sweet to stomach, but I always drank every drop."

...Jerusalem...Paris...Cairo...Hong Kong...Amsterdam...

Ratemyprofessors.com is used so students can check up on their professors. While some teachers received high marks others were bashed, but the ratings could not be taken too literally. Categories on the site varied from difficultly to hotness.

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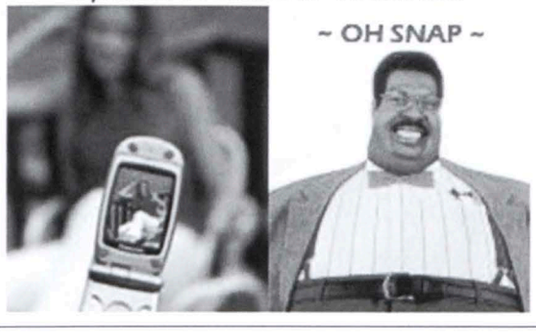
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OVERrated

Students use ratemyprofessors.com to prepare for the semester

BY COURTNEY CAMPBELL



"His class was easy if you went and he makes it very interesting and fun. Plus he is gorgeous."

"Talks about nothing related to anything. Boring. Too much reading."

"Fabulous stories, and a real passion for teaching and getting to know students!"

Whether students chose teachers based on easiness, clarity or good looks, ratemyprofessors.com could help students make the right choice. Students used this Web site to pick the teachers they wanted or avoid the teachers they did not. All students had to do was set up a free account and they could access other students' comments about their former professors. Even if someone did not have the option of choosing their teacher, they could check to see what others said so they knew what to expect from that professor.

Professors were rated one to five, five being the highest, based on easiness, helpfulness, clarity and rater interest. Professors that were perceived to be good-looking were marked with a red chili pepper.

If a teacher got mostly bad ratings, students could find another teacher. However, some students felt that this Web site could not be trusted because everyone had their own personal biases, and all ratemyprofessors.com could offer was opinions. One graduate student said he had a teacher who was trashed by most students on the site, but he ended up enjoying the class.

If used for nothing else, ratemyprofessors.com could offer a few laughs. One student commented, "I would have been better off using the tuition money to heat my apartment last winter."

Another wrote, "Not only is the book a better teacher, it also has a better personality."

Ratemyprofessors became somewhat of a controversial site. Some professors were concerned their reputation would be damaged, and there were questions of whether the site could be sued. However, most students liked to leave positive remarks, especially when someone was good at what they do.

While some students chose their classes based on ratings at ratemyprofessors, most students did not have that option. These students could check out that teacher; however, if the ratings were bad they still had to take that professor. Some students said they only used the Web site to check up on the professors they had for their degree classes because they knew they would have that professor for several other classes too.

...where students do the grading...good quality...

majors

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The charts below detail the percent of students enrolled in each college based on the entire student body

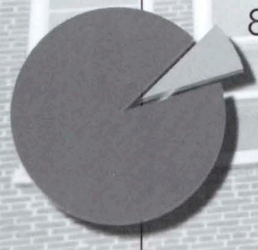
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Popular Majors:

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- Biological Sciences
- Psychology
- Communications
- Political Science
- Sociology

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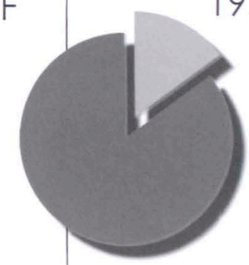


Popular Majors:

- Interior Design
- Apparel Studies
- Animal Science
- Agricultural Business
- Horticulture
- Poultry Science
- Agriculture Education
- Agriculture Communication

SAM M. WALTON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

19.1 percent



Popular Majors:

- Accounting
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- Finance
- General Business
- Information Systems
- International Business
- Marketing
- Management
- Transportation & Logistics

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS

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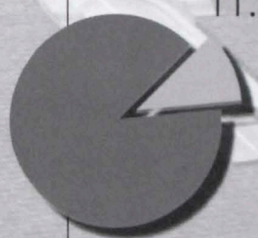


Popular Majors:

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- Teaching Certification

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

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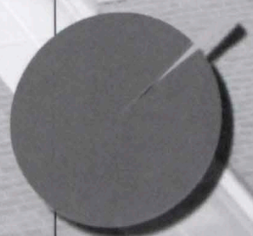


Popular Majors:

- Mechanical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Computer Science

SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

2 percent



Popular Majors:

- Architecture
- Landscape Architecture



Lacee Smith studies amid books in Mullins Library. For many students, a high GPA was important for getting into grad school or landing a dream job which meant keeping up with studying and grades. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN

...potential employers...average...credit hours...fail



GPA BRINGS more stress

As graduation approaches, students become more concerned with the small statistic to impress future employers

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

As the first weeks of a semester came to a close at the University of Arkansas, freshmen found themselves adjusting, while seniors found themselves preparing so graduation would go off without a hitch. Students worked their entire collegiate career to achieve the ultimate goal - a degree - but along the way received a number that could ultimately determine whether they get a job.

It was the basis for admission to majors, a symbol of prestige in various programs and a requirement to graduate.

But many people questioned whether GPAs were actually part of the equation that major corporations use to recruit recent college graduates. Studies showed that many companies looked for employees who take pride in their school work. According to Careerbuilders.com and the National Association of Colleges and Employers' "Job Outlook 2005 Survey," 70 percent of major companies hiring and recruiting managers screened applicants focusing primarily on GPAs.

But while GPA was an important requirement to be admitted to graduate school, studies also show that graduate schools frown upon students who have 4.0 GPAs but were not involved in activities outside the classroom.

Zack Ridenoure, junior art major, said he knew his GPA was one of the primary factors that will determine admittance to graduate school. "If a student does not get a job because of their GPA, they should not give up on what they are looking for," he said.

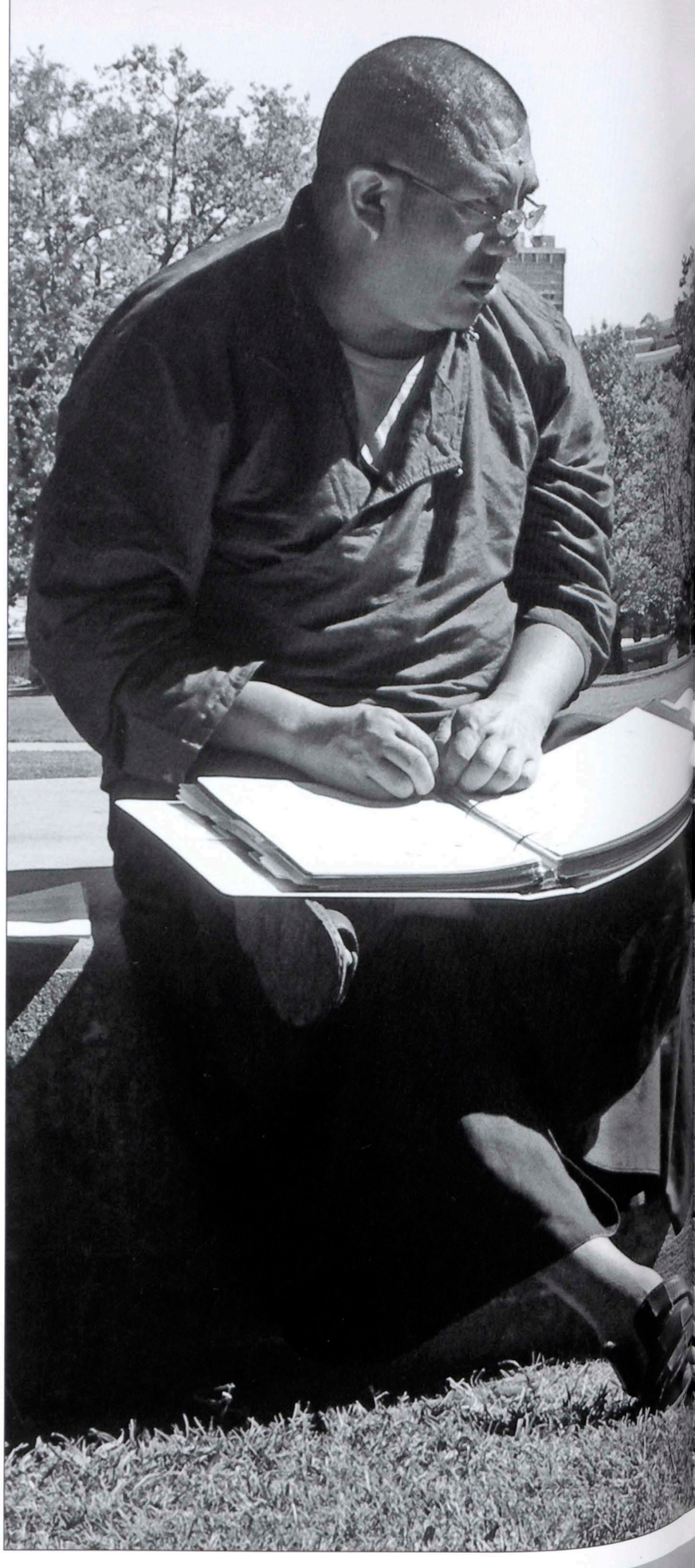
College administrators have received much criticism in the past decade for grade inflation prompting them to create task forces to evaluate many universities' grading scale

College admissions and scholarships were GPA-heavy and the rising costs of tuition led to rising expectations of students' grades. But focusing on the issue of rising GPAs ignored a bigger problem, because students measured their success in school with letters and numbers instead of what they learned.

As final grades approached at the end of a semester, small victories stood to be won in each class with the grand prize usually dependant upon the much-touted grade point average. A student's GPA was supposedly a measure of academic ability yet it just remained a mere statistic for some.

·senioritis...grade...cumulative...calculate...pass...





Right: Geshe Thupten Dorjee holds his class about Tibetan culture on the front lawn of Old Main. The class focused on Buddhist tradition and practices. Students discussed the five major sciences of Tibetan culture, including arts and medicine. PHOTO BY GIGI HOLDER

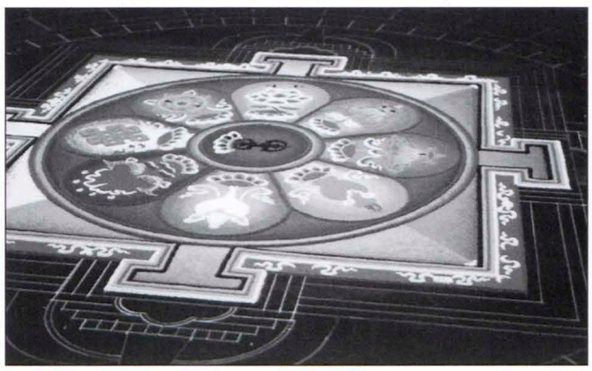
Above: Rinzin Dorjee works on a sand mandala, a painting made with different colors of sand.
Opposite Page left to right: A sacred sand mandala under construction.
Geshe Thupten Dorjee lectures outside of Old Main. PHOTOS BY MEGAN GARNER AND GIGI HOLDER

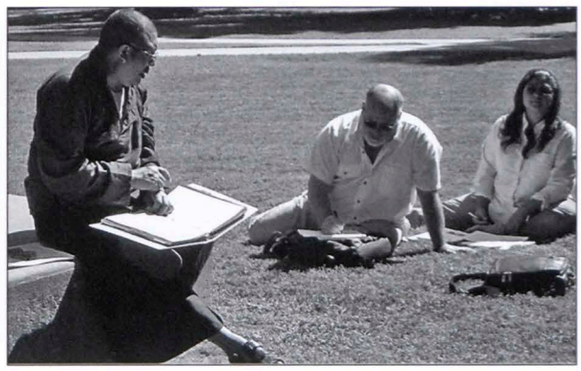
.culture...non-violence...peace...knowledge...religion.

DIFFERENT world

Tibetan culture class teaches non-violence and compassion

BY NATALIE MORRISON





In the 2006 school year students had the opportunity to benefit from the wisdom and life experience of Venerable Geshe Thupten Dorjee, a Buddhist monk who spent his time teaching others about his homeland, Tibet.

Geshe was born in Tibet in 1959, in the midst of the Chinese invasion, a disruption that threatened the cultural and religious traditions of Tibet. When Geshe was 3 years old his family fled Tibet and crossed the Himalayas to a refugee camp. After losing family members to the poor living conditions there, Geshe's family moved once again to southern India.

When he was 13, Geshe entered Drepung Loseling Monastery in Karmataka, India. After studying Buddhist texts for 22 years, Geshe received two very notable honors. In 1986 he was ordained a Buddhist monk by the Dalai Lama. In 1994 he received the highest scholastic honor, the degree of Geshe Lhatampa, meaning "Spiritual Guide."

After receiving his degree, Geshe toured with the Mystical Arts of Tibet sharing Buddhist culture with the world. He then moved to the United States and began teaching about Tibetan culture.

Geshe remained in America as a teacher but considered himself a student as well, always expanding his knowledge of western traditions and of the English language. For Geshe, "everyone is my teacher."

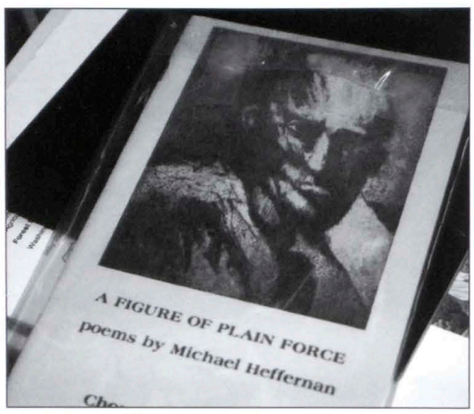
During the semester, Geshe shared the traditions of his homeland with his class. Geshe taught about major Buddhist traditions and practices and engaged the class with hands-on activities, allowing them to experience the Buddhist culture first hand.

According to Tibetan cosmology, the five major sciences are arts and crafts, medicine, grammar, logic and philosophy. With Geshe's guidance the class participated in projects related to these five sciences. The class constructed prayer flags and prepared Tibetan cuisine. Students studied and practiced Tibetan chants and were informed of their importance in Tibetan cosmology.

Geshe's future was undecided. As a citizen of no country, he traveled the world teaching about his beliefs and investing in the lives of others. For Geshe, life was an unselfish endeavor and a free spirit was critical.

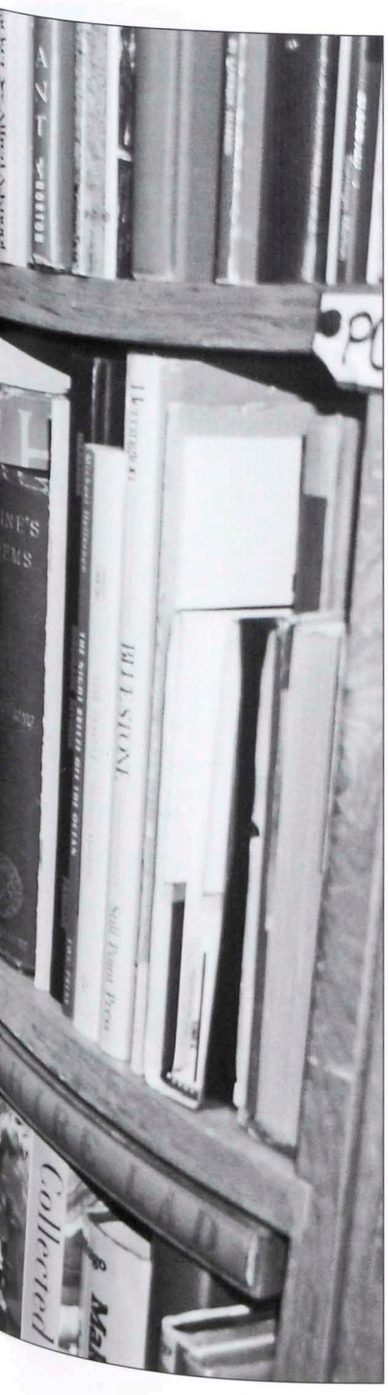
"My main purpose, my life, is for the benefit of others," Geshe said.

...compassion...spiritual guidance...tradition...growth...



Erin Gilleece finds a book by UA professor Michael Heffernan in the Dickson Street Book Store. Published works from past students were available in the library. UA students have had over 200 books published over the years, as well as stories in journals. PHOTOS BY STACY RYBURN

...strive...imagine...conceive...create...write...compose



CREATIVE gains

Student works get published with help from writing department

BY STACY RYBURN

Just like aspiring musicians strive for a major recording deal, emerging writers seek to be published. The creative writing program at the UA was one of the oldest in the country and had been helping students to achieve this goal since 1965.

Over 200 published books later, success stories were still cropping up out of the program every year, ranging from published poets to authors and even to those who have created their own publication outlet.

Ericka Fortson, a senior English major, was one student who has had her work showcased outside of the campus realm. Four of her poems were published in the Fayetteville magazine *Poesia* and in Houston's *Reflections* as well. A short story she wrote also received published notoriety.

Fortson was introduced to both publications that would eventually go on to showcase her work through the creative writing program. "Personal relationships always inspire me to write," she said. "I think it's important to find what's interesting in the mundane."

Chris Pappas was an MFA student who took his creative aspirations a step further by creating his own publication outlet. Pappas founded *Melee*, a tabloid-style poetry journal, along with his first wife Lisa Holmes.

The journal attempted to stir discussion among the poetry community, in a business and academic sense. To do this Pappas took submissions from a staff of entirely poets, including the 2002 New Jersey Poet Laureate, Amiri Baraka.

"We found, through this line of inquiry that politics, whether inside or outside of the community of publishing poets, seems to be inexorably tied to aesthetics," Pappas said.

Davis McCombs, assistant English professor of the creative writing program, saw three of his students go on to publish books during his five years in the department.

"It's an incredibly rewarding experience to see one's students succeed, to see their work in print, to see them come into their own," he said.

McCombs stressed the need for a writer to study traditional writing styles while still experimenting in foreign territory, but acknowledges the difficulties that could possibly arise while seeking publication.

"I think that when you're just starting out, it can be really difficult to weather the onslaught of rejection that all writers who submit their work inevitably face," he said.

"All writers eventually want to see their work in print. Most people, I think, will know when that time comes. They just have to trust their incubation process."

...edit...review...polish...critique...publish...purchase...





Left: Two former wire editors examine the copy coming in from the news wire.
Opposite page: 1950 staff members Armil Snow and Doug Smith take their turns at the type trays. Editors had to read backwards when proofreading the pages. PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE ARKANSAS TRAVELER

Above: *Arkansas Traveler* staff members Hamilton Hedrick, editor Jose Lopez and Lindsay Turner work on the next day's issue of the *Traveler*. Staff members worked long hours to produce the paper three times a week. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN

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CENTENNIAL celebration

The *Traveler* commemorates 100 years of serving UA students

BY STACY RYBURN



Celebrating the centennial of a newspaper does not happen very often – in fact, it only comes around every 100 years – but when it does come around, the excitement not only spreads from the staff to the readers, but to its alumni, friends and future journalists.

And if it is the University of Arkansas' student newspaper, well, it spreads like Hog fever.

"It was definitely an honor to bring about the centennial edition," said José Lopez, editor of *The Arkansas Traveler*. "It was worth it, very rewarding."

Traveler members past and present convened to rekindle fond memories, relate to one another and look toward the future of the student paper. The festivities included a reunion at the alumni house, a dinner and a reception at the *Traveler*'s office and the journalism department, where several issues were posted to showcase the paper's evolution.

Skip Rutherford, dean of the Clinton School of Public Service, attended the reception and traced his steps back from being a dean to being a writer for the paper throughout his college years.

"The connections I made through working at the *Traveler* have been very important in career development," Rutherford said. "I felt prepared after graduation."

Also among the activities was the unveiling of "Ink In My Blood," a documentary chronicling the first 100 years of the student paper. The film was created by a team of graduate students, including *Traveler* staff writer Nathan Crowder.

Aside from the celebrations also came the centennial issue of the paper itself, which featured archaic font types, news articles and photos from years past and an extra section commemorating the issue.

Clover Birdsell, deputy managing editor, lamented a few changes to the publication.

"We used to be in the middle of campus," Birdsell said, referring to the paper's Hill Hall days before the building burned down. "Now we're stuck under an old building in the basement."

However, Birdsell and the rest of the staff triumph in the face of adversary.

"I don't think it's too bad," she said. "We're trying real hard."

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Lady'Back in-fielder Brandy Baze fields the ball against Kentucky.
A member of the lacrosse club sport team plays in their first game against Oklahoma. PHOTOS BY VANCE GREEN AND ERIKA SIMMONS





The sound of thousands calling the Hogs at any sporting event never failed to incite Razorback spirit among the fans or raise the adrenaline of every athlete. Sporting events were not just a game. For the fans, it was the ultimate spirit showcase. For student-athletes, they were a way of life.

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12 games one chance a few fumbles 10 consecutive wins SEC West Champions RAZORBACK FOOTBALL



RAZORBACKS 14
TROJANS 50

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

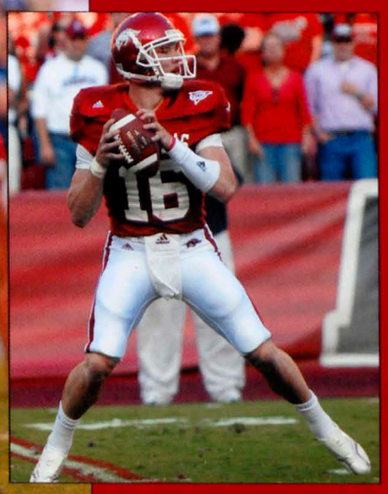
Fayetteville, Sept. 2 – The season opener against the USC Trojans was the first in Fayetteville and the crowd of 76,564 screaming fans was the largest in school history.

With some questions surrounding the quarterback position, and playmaker Darren McFadden recovering from a dislocated toe, Arkansas was in for a rough night. Five turnovers throughout the night gave USC the opportunities they needed to capitalize. In the first half the Trojans scored three field goals, recovered a fumble by Felix Jones for a touchdown and were up 16-7 at halftime.

The third quarter held more bad news for the Hogs, as USC went on an extended touchdown drive, moving 80 yards in 11 plays and scoring once again. Arkansas strained to keep up, with McFadden carrying the ball nine times for 42 yards, and Robert Johnson completing seven consecutive passes and finishing with a touchdown. But the Hogs struggled to control the ball against a tough USC defense.

In the fourth quarter, freshman quarterback Mitch Mustain completed a four-yard run for a touchdown on the first possession of his career. But Arkansas was still defeated, with a score of 50-14. The loss was the first time in Houston Nutt's nine year term that the Hogs lost a season opener. BY MEGAN GARNER





UTAH STATE

RAZORBACKS 20
AGGIES 0

Fayetteville, Sept. 9 - The Hogs rebounded from a crushing defeat the week before as they took on Utah State. Darren McFadden showed that he had fully recovered from his toe injury, finishing the night with 184 yards rushing and two touchdowns. On the second score, McFadden also surpassed his record for the longest run of his career, in a 72-yard run up the sideline.

"I saw the hole before I even crossed the line of scrimmage," McFadden said. "I almost lost my feet, but I regained my balance and took it to the house."

Freshman Mitch Mustain became the eighth true-freshman to start for the Hogs, and held his own, passing for 119 yards with no interceptions. He also passed for his first career touchdown in a 13-yard pass to Marcus Monk.

The Hogs learned from their bout with USC, allowing only one turnover during the game. Arkansas shut out the Aggies with a score of 20-0. The shut-out was the first for the Razorbacks since the 2002 season when the Hogs beat South Carolina 23-0.

BY MEGAN GARNER

VANDERBILT

RAZORBACKS 21
COMMODORES 19

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 16 - The Razorbacks did well in their first away game of the season, bringing home a victory against Vanderbilt.

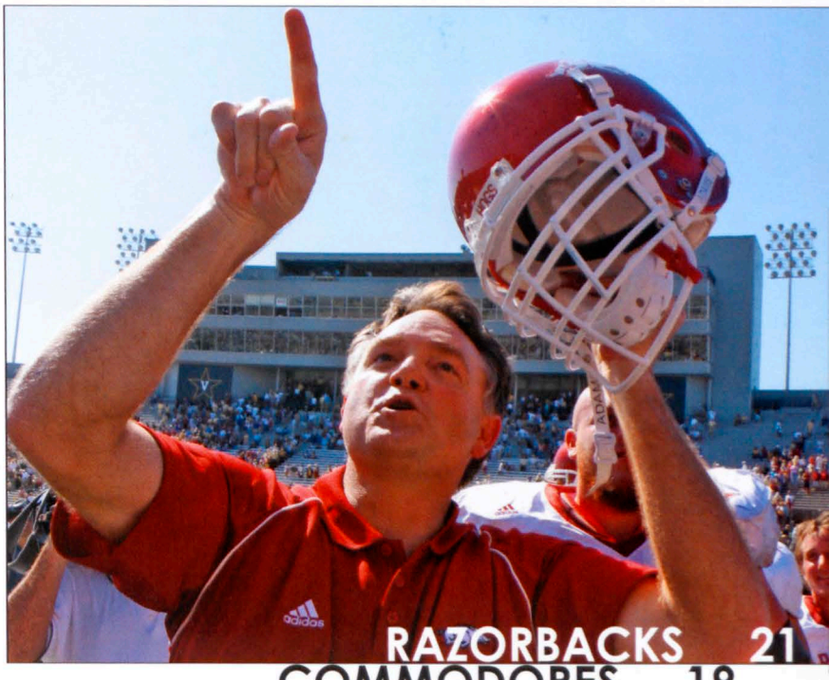
Mitch Mustain threw for 224 yards and three touchdowns, the first for an Arkansas quarterback since the 2005 season. Records were also set by Marcus Monk, who ended the day with five receptions for 119 yards, a career-high for yardage in a game. Monk had a least one reception in every game of his career.

The Commodores scored the first touchdown and tried to hold Arkansas' rushing attack, holding on to the ball for more than 32 minutes and containing the Hogs to 170 yards on 39 attempts. Vanderbilt even managed to hold back Darren McFadden to 19 runs for 71 yards, a week after he ran 72 yards in just one run.

But the Commodores also botched a kick attempt and missed a pass on a two-point conversion early in the fourth quarter that could have tied the game.

The missed conversion was the final blow for Vanderbilt, and the Razorbacks secured their 21-19 win. While it may not have been an impressive game as far as points or rushing yards go, the Hogs were glad to secure their first win on the road and to get on a winning streak.

BY MEGAN GARNER



Opposite page: A Razorback player takes down one of the USC Trojans. Despite their efforts, the Hogs fell to the Trojans with a dismal score of 50-14. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL

Top left: Felix "The Cat" Jones makes a run against the Utah State Aggies. Mitch Mustain prepares to pass in his first time starting as an Arkansas Razorback. PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL

Above: Head coach Houston Nutt gives the credit to the fans as he celebrates a victory over Vanderbilt. Nutt led the student section in singing the Arkansas Fight song. PHOTO BY GRACE RILEY





RAZORBACKS 24
CRIMSON TIDE 23

Fayetteville, Sept. 23 - After four quarters, two overtimes and an agonizing back and forth lead, Mitch Mustain threw an 11-yard touchdown pass to Ben Cleveland and Jeremy Davis made the extra point, securing a 24-23 Arkansas victory over the Alabama Crimson Tide.

"I'm really proud of our team," Houston Nutt said. "I really appreciate the courage and guts our guys showed."

The win came right after Alabama had pulled ahead with a one-yard touchdown pass. But they missed the extra point, on a day of many bad kicks for the Crimson Tide. They had already missed a 33-yard field goal attempt, a 30-yard attempt and a 37-yard attempt that would have secured their victory in the first overtime.

"This game showed that you cannot take anything for granted," Marcus Monk said. "Anybody can win on any given Saturday."

The day was a tough one, with Mustain throwing three interceptions and Davis missing the extra point on Arkansas' first touchdown of the day, but after an epic battle the Hogs emerged victorious. BY MEGAN GARNER



RAZORBACKS 27
TIGERS 10



Top left: Senior Chris Houston tries to bring down Alabama's Keith Brown. Sophomore Jeremy Davis celebrates the Razorback win, after making the game-winning kick. PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL

Above: A Razorback player tries to get a handle on Auburn's David Irons, keeping him out of Felix Jones' path. Left: Junior Peyton Hillis slips out of Auburn's Eric Brock's grasp. PHOTOS BY GRACE RILEY

Top right: Sophomore Darren McFadden stiff arms a Redhawks player. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL Bottom right: An Arkansas player battles with Auburn's Eric Brock. PHOTO BY GRACE RILEY

Fayetteville, Oct. 14 - Homecoming was a memorable game for all Razorback fans and players, and for Houston Nutt, who celebrated his 49th birthday. But the day was especially memorable for Keith Jackson Jr. The 296-pound senior made the first interception in the second quarter of the matchup against the Redhawks, and then ran 69 yards for a touchdown.

"He made a good interception," Houston Nutt said. "I thought we might have to give him oxygen when he got back to the sidelines, but I am very proud of him."

Darren McFadden set the tone for the game, with two rushing touchdowns. He finished the day with 71 yards on only six attempts.

Other Razorbacks also played well against the Southeast Missouri State Redhawks, such as Michael Smith, who scored his first career touchdown with a 10-yard run. The Hogs also managed to finally win the turnover battle, forcing three turnovers.

Robert Johnson got a cheer from the fans as he caught a 22-yard pass from Casey Dick late in the third quarter, his first catch of the season and first at wide receiver.

By the fourth quarter, Arkansas had secured its most lopsided victory since 1974, with a final score of 63-7, continuing their five game winning streak. BY MEGAN GARNER



RAZORBACKS 63
REDHAWKS 7



AUBURN

Auburn, Ala., Oct. 7 - The Razorbacks arrived in Auburn as 15-point underdogs, but when they left, they had knocked off the No. 2 ranked Tigers and made it look easy.

"We came out here with the mentality that we were going to earn that respect," Darren McFadden said.



McFadden ran for 145 yards, including a 63-yard touchdown against a team that had not allowed a touchdown on the ground all season. Felix Jones also covered some ground, rushing for 104 yards in 13 carries.

The Hogs started out strong, scoring 10 points in the first quarter and never looking back. Arkansas capitalized on the Tigers' mistakes, using two big plays to establish a 17-10 halftime lead. First, Marcus Monk snagged the ball and ran it into the end zone. Then with five mintues left in the first half, McFadden burst through the middle and ran 63 yards for a touchdown. Jones' third quarter one-yard touchdown run bumped the lead up to 24-10, and by the time it was over, the Hogs had won by 17 points, making Auburn the first top-10 team of the season to lose to an unranked opponent. BY MEGAN GARNER



RAZORBACKS 38
REBELS 3

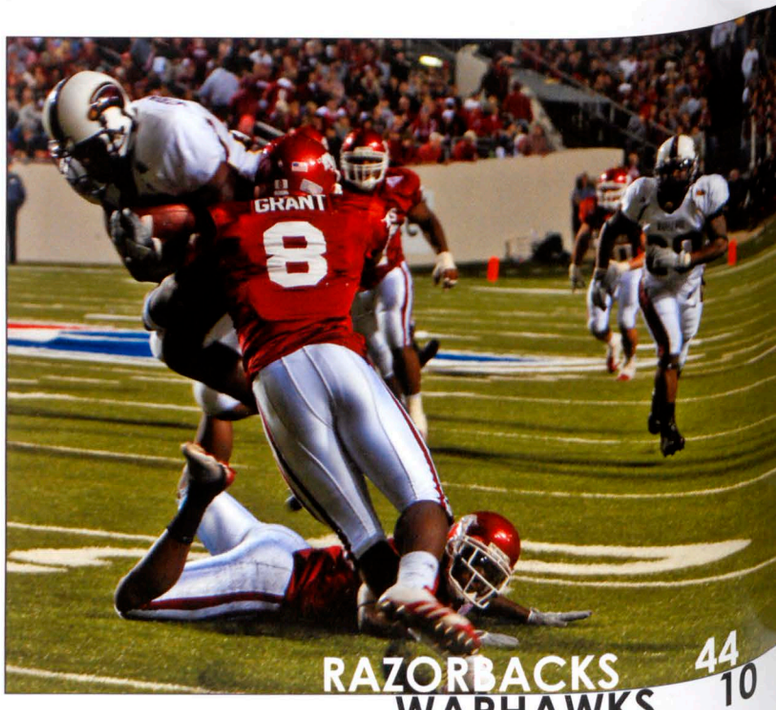
Fayetteville, Oct. 21 - In the game that decided if the Hogs were bowl eligible, Felix Jones' 100-yard kickoff return for a touchdown to open the game was the second of his career and kick-started the Hogs to their sixth straight win.

"It was a good game. It was a good victory. I was worried about special teams but they did a good job. The kickoff return set the tone for the game," Houston Nutt said.

OLE MISS

After the return, the Razorback defense forced a three-and-out and the Hogs went up 14-0 after Darren McFadden's four-yard run and a 15-yard reception from starting quarterback Mitch Mustain. On the touchdown, McFadden lined up as the quarterback, took the snap and ran up the middle for the score. The Arkansas defense held Ole Miss scoreless in the first quarter and allowed just one touchdown in its last nine quarters.

Peyton Hillis' one-yard touchdown in the second quarter was his first of the season and bumped the score to 21-0. In the third quarter, Arkansas pushed the lead to 28-3 when Mustain hit McFadden on the left and he ran 70 yards down the sideline. For the game, Arkansas had 346 yards of offense, including 141 rushing and 205 passing. BY CAROLYN FINNIE



RAZORBACKS 44
WARHAWKS 10

Top: Junior wide receiver Marcus Monk receives in the second quarter, extending his streak to 29 receptions, that ranked 12th in the nation. The win over the Rebels made the Razorbacks bowl eligible. PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL

Bottom: Michael Grant pulls down Warhawks running-back Calvin Dawson during the fourth quarter in the Hogs' 44-10 win over ULM. The win kept the 20-1 record of Little Rock games under Houston Nutt. PHOTO BY GRACE RILEY

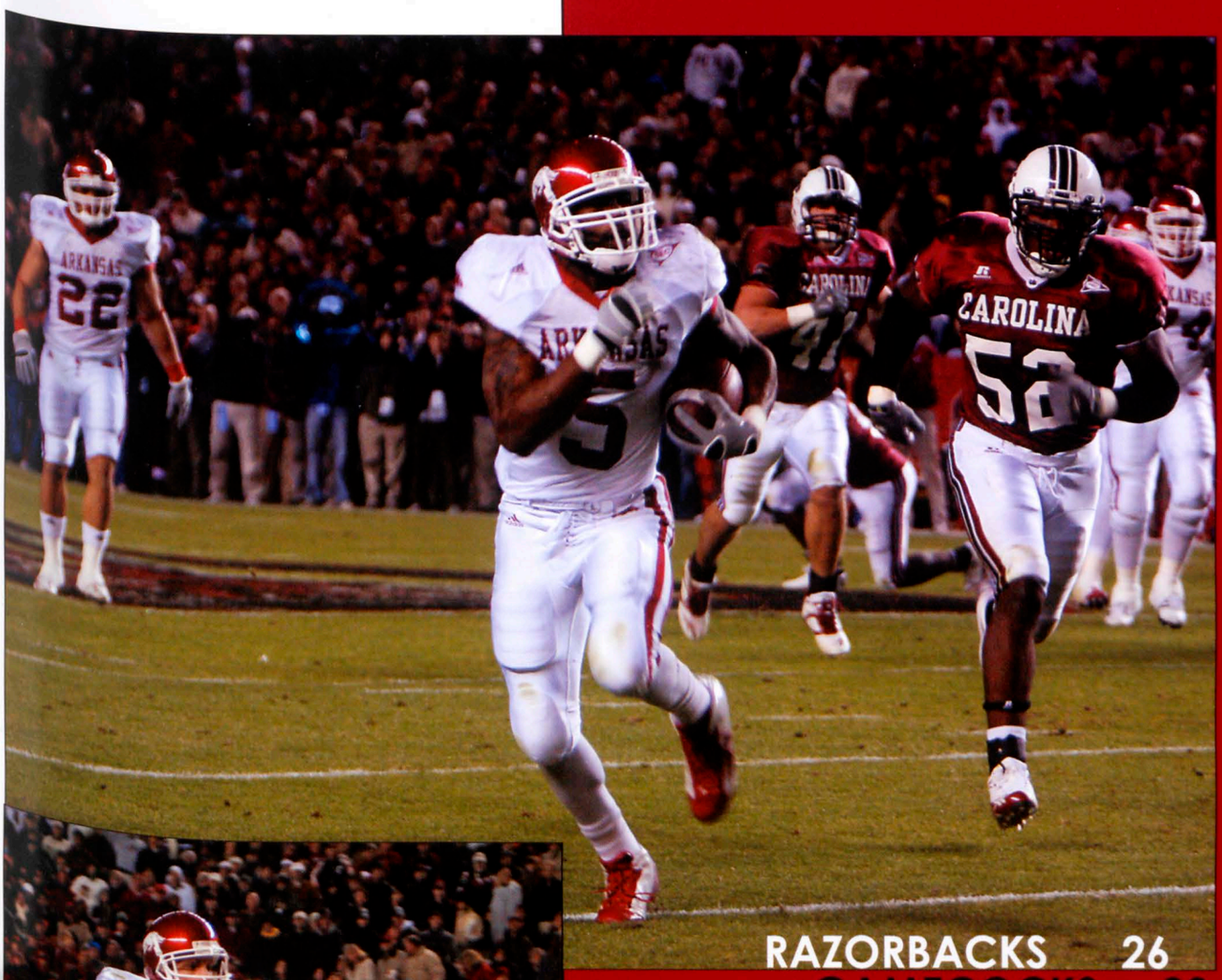
Little Rock, Oct. 28 - Though the energy was high inside War Memorial Stadium, it looked like the Warhawks would prove to be tough contender in the first play. Yet after a few special teams mistakes by the Warhawks, they set a pace for the No. 13 Razorbacks who as a team posted a victory and kept the 20-1 record in Little Rock under Houston Nutt.

"Our defense played well after the first drive," Nutt said. "We kept them out of the end zone, but we still have to improve. We played good enough, but we realize there are still things we have to improve on."

On the first series of the second half, Darren McFadden carried the ball six times for 51 yards, and pushed the lead to 30-7 on an 18-yard run down the left sideline. He finished the night after the carry, ending the game with 129 yards on 18 carries.

LOUISIANA-MONROE

Michael Smith scored the final touchdown for Arkansas on a three-yard run with eight minutes left. Arkansas finished with 428 yards of total offense for the game, getting 331 yards on 40 rushes. The defense allowed 261 total yards, including 114 on 38 carries, intercepted five passes and recorded nine tackles for loss, led by end Antwain Robinson's three for 12 yards. Weston Dacus paced the defense with 10 tackles, including two sacks for 12 yards. BY CAROLYN FINNIE





Darren McFadden runs on a 43-yard rush that resulted in the Hogs' first touchdown of the night. Casey Dick, who threw for 228 yards in the win over South Carolina, looks up field for an open receiver during an Arkansas drive in the third quarter. PHOTOS BY GRACE RILEY

RAZORBACKS 26
GAMECOCKS 20

SOUTH CAROLINA

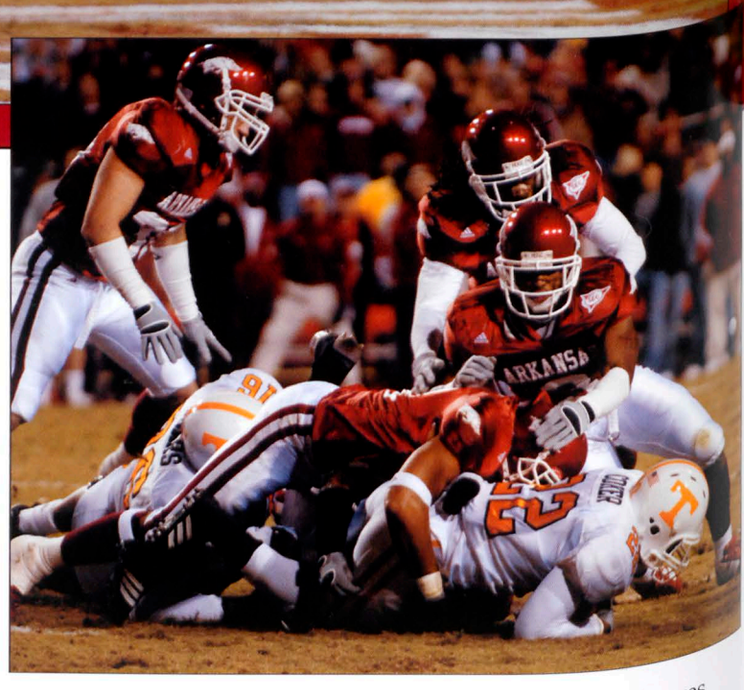
Columbia, S.C., Nov. 4 - No. 12 Arkansas and their defense stopped the Gamecocks and their dual-threat quarterbacks, allowing a road victory and the Gamecocks to 340 yards of total offense with just 74 rushing. Arkansas also went to its second-team quarterback, bringing in Casey Dick after its first possession.

Overall, the Razorback offense came up big as Darren McFadden lined up as tailback and quarterback and Marcus Monk delivered big plays as Arkansas remained the only team undefeated in SEC play at 5-0. McFadden ran for 219 yards and two touchdowns on 25 carries. His yardage total tied for the fourth-best single-game mark in school history and he topped the 1,000-yard mark for the second straight year. He had 1,038 yards this year after running for 1,113 yards last year, becoming just the third back in school history to record multiple 1,000-yard seasons.

Monk set career highs with eight receptions for 192 yards, which tied for the 14th-best catch total in school history and is the fifth-best yardage total in school history. Dick finished the game 11-of-19 passing for 228 yards with one touchdown and an interception. BY CAROLYN FINNIE



RAZORBACKS 31
VOLUNTEERS 14



Junior wide receiver Marcus Monk, who has caught a pass in every game of his Razorback career catches a pass for a touchdown against the Volunteers. The Hog linebackers take down LaMarcus Coker before posting a 31-14 victory. PHOTOS BY TRISTAN EVANS

TENNESSEE

Fayetteville, Nov. 11 - The 76,758 fans in attendance at Razorback Stadium broke the previous record set in the season opener against USC. With the pressure of the ESPN College Gameday spotlight, the No. 10 Hogs hung in with intensity and heart to defeat the No. 11 Volunteers.

Darren McFadden recorded his sixth 100-yard rushing game of the season, his third straight, with 181 yards and two touchdowns. He also rushed for 128 yards in the first half against the Vols and accounted for three touchdowns – two rushing and one passing. McFadden lined up at quarterback for 14 snaps against Tennessee and the Razorbacks gained 121 yards on the plays with McFadden throwing his 12-yard touchdown pass and keeping the ball eight times for 59 yards and two more scores.

For the defensive core, Jamaal Anderson recorded three sacks – all in the first half – as the Hogs raced out to a 28-7 lead. He finished the game with three to give him 10 for the season, the fifth-most in school history.

"We knew we might be able to rattle a new quarterback coming into a hostile environment with our defensive pressure," defensive end Jamaal Anderson said. "I had a certain move that I thought would work and it worked once so I kept using it and was able to get multiple sacks. Our team tried not to pay attention to the national spotlight that was on us this week and treat it like any other game." BY CAROLYN FINNIE





MISSISSIPPI STATE

Starkville, Miss., Nov. 18 - Arkansas clinched its second outright SEC Western Division title at the Hogs and Bulldogs matchup. The Bulldogs attempted to shut down the offense on every run so the Razorbacks used their defensive backs and special teams to victory.

Darren McFadden's returned a 92-yard kickoff for a touchdown. Reggie Fish's 26-yard punt return was a career long for the sophomore. It was the second-longest punt return of the season. Mississippi State allowed McFadden to rush for 100 yards, but most of the yardage came on the team's final drive.

Casey Dick threw two touchdown passes to go with the long returns as Arkansas won its 10th straight game and remained in the national championship picture. The Razorbacks picked up much of their 256 total yards in the fourth quarter. The team had 177 yards of offense through three quarters and McFadden and backup Felix Jones had 42 yards. BY CAROLYN FINNIE

RAZORBACKS 28
BULLDOGS 14

LSU

Little Rock, Nov. 24 - The Golden Boot went to LSU for the fourth straight season after the loss in Little Rock was Arkansas' first since the opening game against USC. Though the No. 5 Razorbacks hoped to capture the Boot and sweep to the BCS national championship, they fell short to the No. 9 Tigers' strong defense. Arkansas had won 10 straight until the game and showed intensity early, driving 80 yards in two minutes and taking a 6-0 lead on McFadden's one-yard run.

But Jeremy Davis missed the extra point, and the Tigers went ahead later in the quarter on a 29-yard scoring run and LSU never looked back.

"Our defense got really tired but they showed a lot of courage and determination," Houston Nutt said. "That first extra point miss really messed us up. You can't miss extra points. It messed up our rhythm because then we had to think about going for two. That is hard to come by against the number one defense in the country."

Arkansas' wildcat formation netted 133 yards on 16 plays, with 449 yards on 52 plays for the whole season. Felix Jones and Darren McFadden became the first two running backs to go for 100 yards against the Tigers since 2002 against Alabama. LSU had not allowed a single 100-yard rusher this season. BY CAROLYN FINNIE



RAZORBACKS 26
TIGERS 31

Keith Jackson tries to get past two linemen to tackle the Bulldogs' ball carrier. Marcus Monk, who averaged 20-yards on his receptions for the game, battles an MSU defensive back midair for a pass. PHOTOS BY GRACE RILEY

Felix Jones runs past two Tigers in the second quarter. The Razorbacks fell to 20-2 at Little Rock's War Memorial Stadium under coach Houston Nutt - the other loss was in 2004 to LSU. PHOTO BY GRACE RILEY



RAZORBACKS 28
GATORS 38

SEC CHAMPIONSHIP

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 2 - Arkansas certainly didn't make it easy on the Gators, rallying from a 17-0 deficit after being held without a touchdown in their first two appearances in the SEC title game. The Razorbacks got on the board just before halftime when Casey Dick threw a 48-yard touchdown pass to Marcus Monk. In the third period, they came up with two interceptions against Florida's senior quarterback Chris Leak - the first to set up a touchdown, the second returned 40 yards for a score by defensive end Antwain Robinson. After Arkansas pulled ahead at 21-17, Florida reclaimed the game when Reggie Fish made an error on a punt return.

Florida shut down Arkansas' running game, limiting Heisman Trophy-contender McFadden to 73 yards on 21 carries - 50 yards below his season average.



"It was a well fought game. We came in and started out kind of slow, but the second half we came out there, we produced, we got up, had the momentum," Jamaal Anderson said. "Just one play right there changed the momentum around and got to them, and it was hard for us to get it back. Just a couple mistakes here and there would have changed the outcome of the game."

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

POST SEASON WRAP UP

The Razorbacks finished with a 10-2 season, as SEC Western Division champions and a 7-1 conference record. Arkansas won seven SEC games for the first time. The loss against LSU ended the 10-game winning streak that was tied for the fifth-longest in school history. The Razorbacks had a No. 5 ranking in November and finished overall with a No. 15 ranking. This year's final rankings marked the highest finish by Arkansas since it garnered the 13th position in both the AP and UPI polls following a Southwest Conference championship in 1989. Superstar running back Darren McFadden gained national recognition with each game and proved to be a versatile and valuable team asset. He was the Heisman Trophy runner-up.



HIGHLIGHTS



PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL

Orlando, Fla., Jan. 1 - The Razorbacks couldn't overcome a stopped running game and quarterback Casey Dick under constant pressure from the Badgers' tight defense. Wisconsin had won 12 games in their season and held a nine-game winning streak, although this was their first win over a ranked team.

The Razorbacks stuck with their plan to start Casey Dick at quarterback and bring in Mitch Mustain for the third series. That was Mustain's only appearance of the first half, although he returned for a bit in the second. Dick went 9-of-21 for 98 yards with an interception. Mustain was 5-of-10 for 41 yards with an interception.

Felix Jones' 76-yard touchdown run in the first quarter was the longest by a Razorback in a bowl game. He rushed for a career-high 150 yards on 14 carries. Darren McFadden's 45-yard run gave the Razorbacks the ball inside the Wisconsin 10 on the game's first series, but Arkansas couldn't get any points when Jeremy Davis missed a 30-yard field goal.

Senior defensive tackle Keith Jackson Sr., recorded his second interception of the season and junior Robert Johnson caught a career high four passes for 46 yards against Wisconsin. Marcus Monk made a 13-yard reception in the third quarter extending his consecutive streak to 36 games. BY CAROLYN FINNIE





RAZORBACKS 14
BADGERS 17

Left page: Antwain Robinson runs back an interception for a touchdown against the Gators. A Florida player is tackled by Darren McFadden after a pass intended for McFadden from Casey Dick was intercepted. PHOTOS BY CHRIS BRYAN

Darius Vinnett blocks Ken DeBauche as he attempts to punt the ball, though DeBauche managed to recover the loose ball and throw for a first down to an ineligible receiver. Punter Jacob Skinner performs his pre-kick ritual. PHOTOS BY CHRIS BRYAN

CAPITAL ONE BOWL



CONTROVERSY

At the end of the first winning season in three years, the status of three freshmen whose roles in Arkansas' offense made them the focus of drama. The parents of three Springdale players, Ben Cleveland, Mitch Mustain and Damian Williams arranged a meeting with Frank Broyles to go over concerns and director of the Razorback offense. Williams departed the team in December to play for USC.

Meanwhile, the season's offensive coordinator and former coach of the Springdale clan, Gus Malzahn, left Arkansas to become Tulsa's new assistant head coach and co-offensive coordinator. The following day, Mustain asked for and received his release to transfer in January. The quarterback then re-enrolled at Arkansas for classes, but not necessarily because of second thoughts - he has to maintain academic progress to remain eligible wherever he ends up.

In February, the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* printed an e-mail from UA booster Teresa Prewett to Mustain in which she evaluates his season performance, calls him "Mr. Interception King" and asks him to leave the team.


5
MCFADDEN
5

15 touchdowns number five 265 carries 1,647 rushing yards heisman finalist DARREN MCFADDEN

BY MEGAN GARNER

There are four tiny bones in the big toe. It contains a mere fraction of the 206 bones in the human body, and is a seemingly minor appendage. But it was Darren McFadden's big toe that almost kept him from possibly the most amazing season of his college football career.

Born August 27, 1987, McFadden seemed destined for football success since his high school years. While playing at Oak Grove high school in North Little Rock, McFadden was named a *Parade Magazine* All-American and was named the Arkansas High School Player of the Year by the *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*. While he was recruited by a host of other schools, from Tennessee and Alabama to Auburn and Nebraska, the only campus visit he made was to the UA.

"We were fortunate," head coach Houston Nutt said. "He wanted to be a Razorback."

McFadden's freshman season as a Razorback was a prolific one, in which he rushed for 1,113 yards and 11 touchdowns on 176 attempts. He became the first Razorback to reach 1,000 yards as a freshman. He was slowly being shaped into the breakout player he was soon to become, making a place for himself as the number one running back on the Razorback depth chart.

But on July 29, McFadden almost lost everything he had worked so hard to achieve when his toe connected with the pavement. "I looked down and saw bone," McFadden said in a story for the Dallas Morning News. "I was like, 'man, I messed up.'"

After surgery on his toe, it was unknown whether he would ever be able to play football again.

McFadden was still recovering as the Hogs prepared for their season opener against USC, who had demolished Arkansas with a score of 17-70 the year before. No one expected McFadden to even set foot on the field. But not only did he start, but he also finished with nine carries for 42 yards and caught two passes.

Things only went up from there, with McFadden shattering scores of school records, rushing for a record 1,647 yards, scoring 15 touchdowns and throwing for three more touchdowns on just seven passing attempts. He led the Hogs to ten straight wins, the SEC Western Division Championship and a bowl game. In what was easily his biggest acknowledgement throughout the year, McFadden placed second for the Heisman Trophy, and is now a leading contender in the 2007 race. He also became the first sophomore to win the Doak Walker Award, given annually to the nation's top running back. And with talent like his, and a fully-healed big toe, there is nothing to stop him from continuing his streak of success.

"If he keeps going where he's going with his character," Nutt said, "and making good decisions and keep training the way he trains, he can do anything he wants to do. He can go to the top."



28 seasons Oh my! voice of the razorbacks TOUCHDOWN arkansas! PAUL eells

BY MEGAN GARNER

Few Razorback fans can imagine an Arkansas game without Paul Eells' familiar calls of "Oh my!" and "Touchdown Arkansas!"

"He was the voice," said Houston Nutt, head football coach. "He was the voice that represented the state. He was the voice of the Razorbacks."

On Monday, July 31, 2006, that voice was silenced forever, as Paul Eells died in a head-on collision on Interstate 40. He was 70 years old.

Eells was returning to his home in Little Rock after participating in a celebrity golf tournament in Fayetteville, and was near Russellville when his car crossed the median and collided in the westbound lane with another vehicle. The other driver, Billy J. Burton of Dover, was also killed in the accident.

Eells served as the "Voice of the Razorbacks" for 28 seasons and was the sports director of KATV in Little Rock for nearly three decades. A native of West Branch, Iowa, Eells moved to Arkansas and joined KATV in 1978. Throughout his career, Eells was named Arkansas Sportscaster of the Year 11 times, was honored several times with an Associated Press award for best sports play-by-play and was inducted into the Arkansas Sports Hall of Fame in 2006.

His death stunned the players, students and fans, who had come to know and love Eells during his years as sportscaster.

"I couldn't believe it," UA graduate Justin Tarkington said. "He was such a great person. I cannot imagine hearing someone else's voice announce an Arkansas touchdown."

His loss also greatly affected the coaches and athletic staff, who had worked closely with the sports legend for many years.

"Paul Eells, to me, is the ultimate professional, just the perfect person," Nutt said. "I have never known anyone who did not like Paul Eells. I don't think you say on this earth too many times about a person that no one disliked him."

And it wasn't just football for Eells. He helped cheer on the Hogs on the basketball court as well.

"Our basketball program is deeply saddened with the loss of Paul Eells," said Stan Heath, head basketball coach. "Paul was one of the first people to welcome me into the Razorback family and his style of interviewing always made me feel comfortable. His personality never wavered. He was warm and friendly after a win, and he was warm and friendly after a loss."

Eells left a lasting impression on the state of Arkansas, and as one fan said, "Although we won't be hearing 'Touchdown Arkansas' this season, they will hear plenty of it high above."



two end zones

painting the field

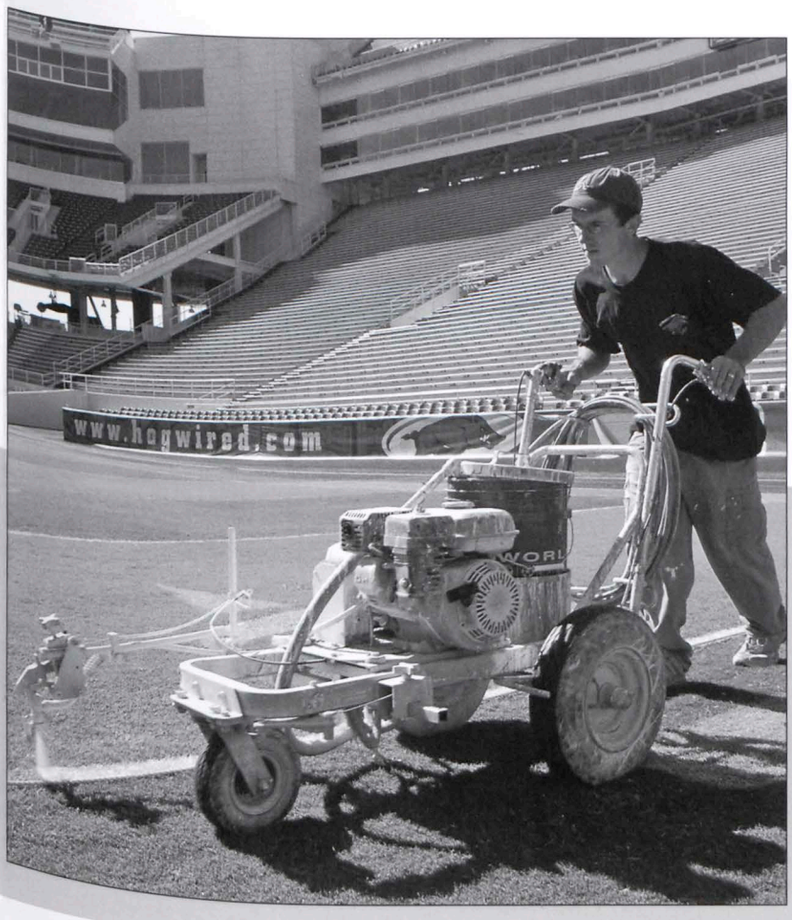
100 yards turf management 7 days a week

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

The football game may have lasted just four hours on any given Saturday, bu from divots to depressions, not only do the players take a beating, the Razorback Stadium field had as well.

Immediately following the game, th athletic turf management crew of abou 10, including six students, surveyed the damage. The six students were sport tur management majors given a jump start t put their turf knowledge on the line. The learned how to use all the equipment and practiced on the practice football field as an extension of the classroom.

After a game, they began mowing





Opposite page: Junior outdoor recreation major Dylan Edwards and Zanas Ivy carry the number two stencil to place on the field before spray-painting. All mowing, painting and fertilizing equipment was stored in the south end zone.
PHOTOS BY TRISTAN EVANS

Left to right: Athletic equipmentsupervisor Lance Leder pushes along the spray paint machine. The special formulated paint was environmentally friendly and biodegradeable.
Edwards and Ivy work together to prepare the field for the Saturday football game.

removing clippings and stomping divots before a full week of preparation. Sunday meant rolling and fertilizing the sand-based bermuda grass, which most higher Division I and SEC schools used.

As early as Monday, the crew started the daunting painting process with the main perimeter lines that give the rectangular dimension of the field. The next step was painting every five yards followed by the end zones. Large wooden stencils were brought out to paint the red and white "Razorbacks" and the opposing team name. The next step of the process was the numbers and hash marks, usually done on Wednesday. And Thursday, the final touches were painted - the two red and white Razorbacks in the middle of the field. The complete painting cycle had to be finished by Thursday in preparation for the team walk-throughs on Friday to help the visiting team get acclimated to the stadium.

All this, of course, weather permitting. "Probably the hardest part of the whole job is what type of weather can play out," said Jerry Pufall, the associate athletic director for facilities.

The crew watched the weather religiously to prevent a brown field. It wasn't uncommon to turn on the field lights and paint into the evening, or if a cold spell was predicted, they turned on the water canons at 2 a.m. to prevent the field from freezing.

"One of the things we pride ourselves on is that since 2001, when Pat [Berger, sports turf director] got here, we have never dyed the field like a lot of schools," Pufall said.

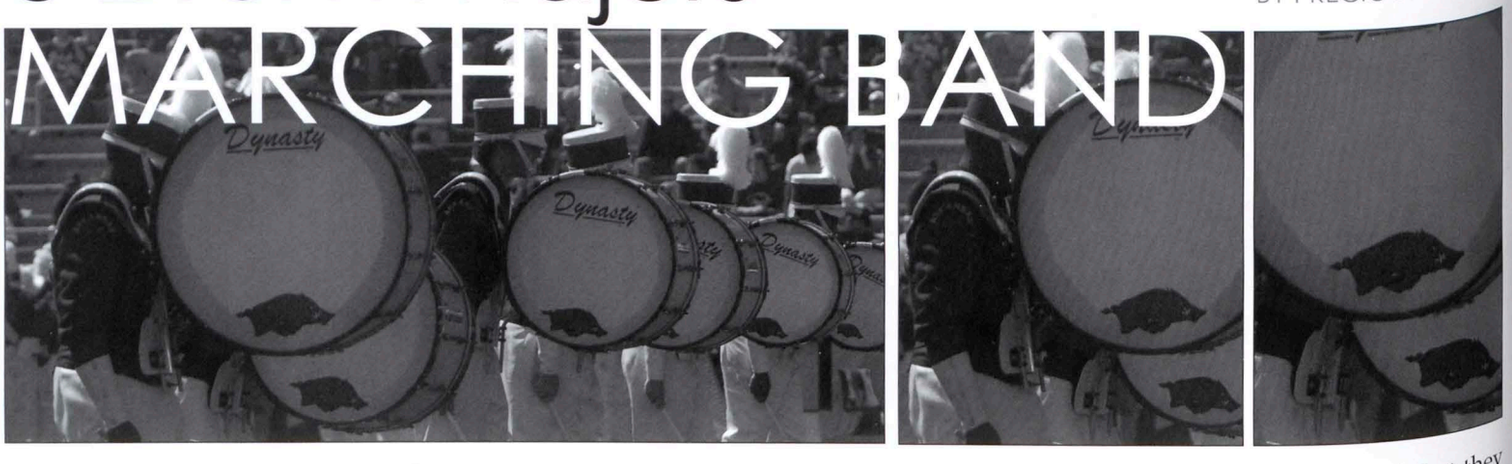
He noted that most people can't fathom the dedication involved in managing a real grass field.

"It's a real testimony to us and the students, everyone involved," Pufall said.

320 members one award 42 instruments Performing 130 years 3 Drum Majors

MARCHING BAND

BY PRECIOUS TEMPLE



The Razorback Marching Band was known around the UA campus for their enthusiastic performances during pep rallies as well as many sporting events and their hard work and dedication paid off when they were awarded the 2006 Sudler Trophy, the "Heisman Trophy" for marching bands.

The John Philip Sousa Foundation awarded the Razorback Marching Band the nation's highest and most coveted award for college and university marching bands.

The Sudler Trophy was presented by Robert C. Fleming, a board member from the Sousa Foundation, during halftime of the Arkansas-Alabama game in Fayetteville.

This trophy was awarded to marching bands recognizing excellence in "innovative marching routines and advanced performance standards for all marching bands."

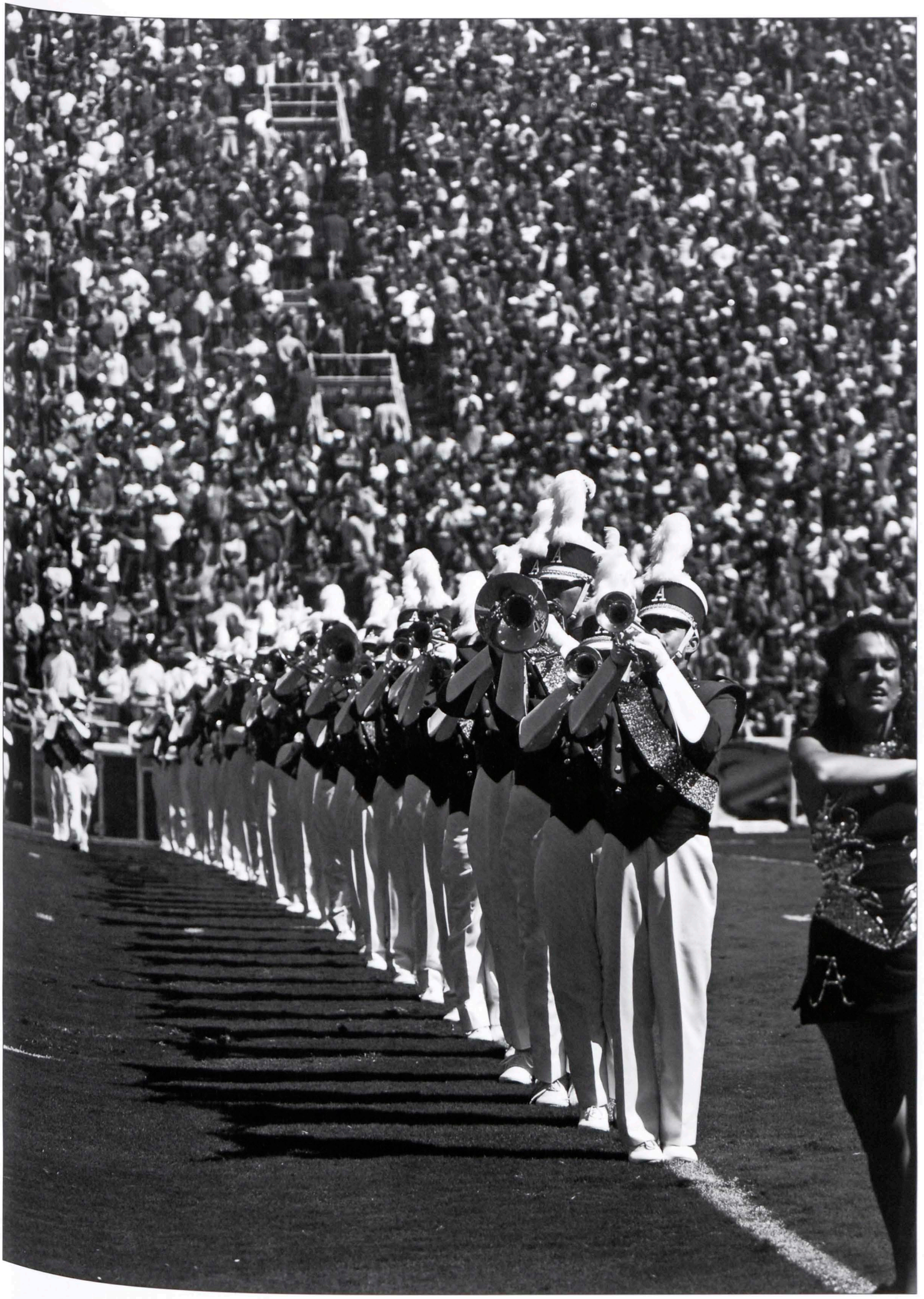
"This honor goes to all of the University of Arkansas' band directors and everyone who has ever been a member of the Razorback Marching Band," said Timothy Gunter, director of the athletic bands. "It is an achievement that every person who has ever participated in the Razorback Band should take pride in, because each one helped to make this happen for us."

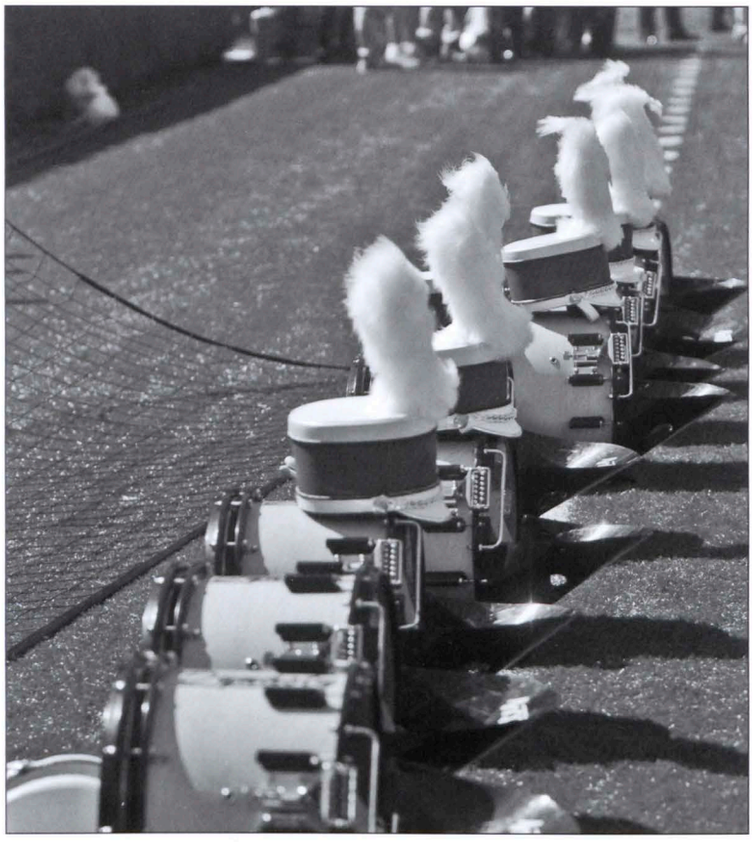
Through the years, the Razorback Marching Band performed at various functions including the Cotton Bowl, Disney World, Mardi Gras, and even at the unveiling of the newly renovated Statue of Liberty. They had been playing for over a 100 years, and were esteemed that they had been chosen for such an honor.

"This award raised their self-esteem," Gunter said. "It helped justify the many hours of hard work they give to represent the University of Arkansas throughout the fall each year."

The Sudler Trophy award recognized and encouraged excellence in college bands. The founders, Louis and Virginia Sudler, believed that the American marching band had the ability to reach countless people through sight and sound.

The bronze trophy remained at the UA for one year, and was placed on display in the new entryway of Lewis E. Epley, Jr. Hall. Gunter planned to purchase an identical replica to showcase for years to come.








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Previous page: The band performs on the field during halftime.

Opposite page top left: The UA Drumline showcases their instruments and hats as they wait for the halftime performance. PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL

Opposite page top right: During the halftime performance the UA Drumline marches eagerly out onto the field. The UA Drumline consisted of 45 percussionists from a diverse array of majors. The 2006 Lineup included nine snares, four tenors, 11 front ensemble, six basses, and six cymbals.

Opposite page bottom: Anxious to begin the day's performance, UA Band members wait patiently for their grand entrance. The band had been performing for 130 years, and consisted of more than 300 members.

With enthusiastic cheers, the UA drum majors lead the Razorback Marching Band around the track prior to the start of the game. As a tradition before every home game the Razorback band paraded around the track before forming the signature "A" on the field.



8 squads one spirit countless halftimes 5 mascots 71,000 screaming fans SPIRIT groups

BY STACY RYBURN

It's not hard to imagine some high school athletic star making it to the college level, but what is surprising is when that star makes it to the sidelines rather than the field, cheering for the team.

For Brandon Hammonds, his athletic prowess brought him along the sidelines holding a megaphone and inside a giant red hog suit.

"I was a ball player," he said, referring to his high school days. "When I got into college I had to adjust to it."

Hammonds served as captain of the men's cheer squad and filled the hooves of one of the Razorback mascots that ran



rampant during sporting events.

But Hammonds was just one of the many former athletes to be a part of the spirit program this year. Spirit Coordinator Jean Nail said that most of the male members of the spirit squads were former athletes or gymnasts, and they practiced just as much as the athletic teams.

"One person can mess the whole thing up if they aren't ready to go," Nail said.

This year marked the first time the UA's two cheer squads and two dance teams covered both men's and women's athletics. Although there was more ground to cover, the workload remained the same to each cheer squad member by dividing the squads to cover the events, Hammonds said.

Although being a part of the cheer squad involved a lot of travel and training, Hammonds said his teachers were lenient.

"I just enjoy being around people that share the same interests as I do, and getting a lot of free stuff," Hammonds said.

The traditional stigma against male cheerleading has waned, Nail said, partially because male members of spirit squads aren't expected to do as many stunts. Limitations set by the American College Cheerleaders Association have restricted routines, Nail said.

"It limits the talent we have, especially for basketball," Nail said.

Higher restrictions are placed on the basketball court because of its hardwood flooring, Nail said.

Academics and the teams were the main priorities of UA spirit groups, Nail said, and little emphasis was placed on the competitions.

Although they rarely competed themselves, spirit groups always cheered for the Hogs on the court and the field.

Previous page: Razorback spirit squads enter Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium and are greeted by a stadium full of 71,000 screaming Razorback fans. Before each game, the spirit squads, accompanied by Tusk, paraded around the football field.

Top: Members of the Razorback Majorettes march onto the field before a home game. The majorettes performed during the games with the Razorback Marching Band.
Right: Two members of the Cheer Red squad call the Hogs before a game. PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL









Clockwise: Boss Hog entertains the crowd at a Razorback football game.

A member of the Pom Red squad perform for a crowd at the Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium during halftime at a football game. The squad also performed at basketball games and pep rallies.

Members of the Cheer White squad perform during halftime. The squad led the fans in cheers at all home games and Little Rock games.

CHEER
Red

First row L to R: Big Red-John Marc Schellenberger; Second row: Jenna Waselues, Ki Matlock, Kelly Williams, Carmen Garrett, Brooke Plack, Laura Herron, Lara Upshaw; Third row: Will Acridge, Dimitre Dimitrov, Chris Carney, Brian Bridges, Brandon Hammonds, Tyler McMahan, Brian Williams





POM
Red

First row L to R: Natalie Aydelott, Casey White, Tara Gartman, Sue E.-Stacy Anderson, Natalie Feldman, Amanda Jones, Lauren Quick; Second row: Kim Nottenkamper, Laura Cole, Megan DeVries, Brooke Palmer, Lauren Edwards, Janella Young

CHEER
White

First row L to R: Pork Chop-Kara Lace Miller; Second row: Heather Ikenouye, Katie Clements, Jessica Winberry, Devin Van Patter, Julie Wiedower, Rachel Ragsdale, Sarah Beavers, Hannah Jordan, Maeve Kamerman, Brittni Stephens; Third row: Robert Rorie, Houston Hart, Justin Goodwin, Loren Kaylor, Zach Walch, Kyle Elkins, Jake Patton, Matt Griswold, Chris Opheim, Michael Braswell





POM
White

First row L to R: Erin Riley, Kristin Huber, Rachel Smithson, Rachael Smith, Erika Schiff, Olivia Shipman; Second row: Amber Wesson, Christine Oller, Lauren Rodkin, Mary Katherine Bentley, Michelle Pope, Kathryn Fiser, Carolina Ferreira, Emily Huber

MASCOTS

First row L to R: Big Red-John Marc Schnellenberger, Boss Hog- Jeremy Hayes, Pork Chop- Kara Lace Miller, Sue E.- Stacy Anderson





FEATURE
Twirler

Ashley Pedersen

MAJORETTES

First row L to R: Ashley Pedersen, Meagan Abell, Skye Metcalf, Holly Abell; Second row: Rachael Schwartz, Lindsey Lee. Heather Holcomb, Jennifer Stone, Tara Braddy; Third row: Rebecca Gehring, Tarabeth Echols, Ashton Holland, Kristen Privett





COLOR
Guard

First row L to R: Rachel Runyan, Christina Pope, Lauren Schook, Amanda Lau, Rebekah Prince, Vesta Luttrull, Allison Huckabee, Caryn Murray, Andrew Tweedy; Second row: Patrick Wright, Brittany Carroll, Mikal Hulstine, Lauren Bryant, Jordan Carbary, Sarah Penn, Colleen Murray, Brittany Spurlock; Third row: Andrea Broshears, Suzanna Ownbey, Lauren Hopkins, Jennifer Bartlett, Sarah Scott, Tracy Hall, Geneva Quinn; Fourth row: Ambre Cato, Rioarce Gonzales, Avery Cato, Dana Williams



23 players TEN VICTORIES 7 consecutive wins 100 yards between them and one goal SOCCER

BY SHAUNA VO

After returning from one of the hardest seasons the Lady'Back soccer team ever encountered in the fall of 2005, having four starting team members injured, this season had a successful start even with 10 new members.

With the new recruits and the Southeastern Conference stepping up in soccer competition, the Lady'Backs had a successful season, ending with the first winning record since the 1996 season. Its 10 wins were the third largest total in school history. They broke numerous records including having seven consecutive wins, the best start in school history (7-1-0) and



they were ranked for the first time in the program's 21-year history.

"Our biggest accomplishment was tying with Auburn," said Allison Harris, senior Lady Razorback soccer member. "They were one of the toughest teams in the SEC."

Harris returned enthusiastic for her third season after having to sit out the 2005 season because of a knee surgery. She was named *ESPN Magazine's* third-team all-American by the College Sports Information Directors of America for the third year in a row.

"To go through the challenging course of study that she has been through for four years and have straight A's, enough said," head coach Gordon Henderson said. "This is well deserved. Allison is the very definition of student-athlete and represents everything that the SEC and NCAA stand for. She is an integral part of our soccer team that prioritizes its education and we are very proud of our team GPA of 3.51 last semester."

To be eligible for the *ESPN Magazine's* Academic All-American program, student athletes must earn a 3.20 GPA and be a significant contributor on the field.

Three more Lady'backs received honors by the SEC. Senior forward Christina Burger was named second-team all-conference, Kim Schleif was the first in Lady Razorback history to earn a spot on the all-freshman team and senior Carrie Dillsaver was given Good Works Team honors.

The season wrapped up with the Lady'Backs clinching 12 wins and suffering seven losses with two ties. The young team was proud of their success and was eager to continue playing together.

"It is clearly another sign that our program is heading in the right direction," Henderson said.

SCOREBOARD
12-7-2 overall

0-2 Mississippi

1-2 Vanderbilt

1-0 Memphis

2-0 Tulsa

1-0 Alabama A&M

2-1 Louisiana Tech

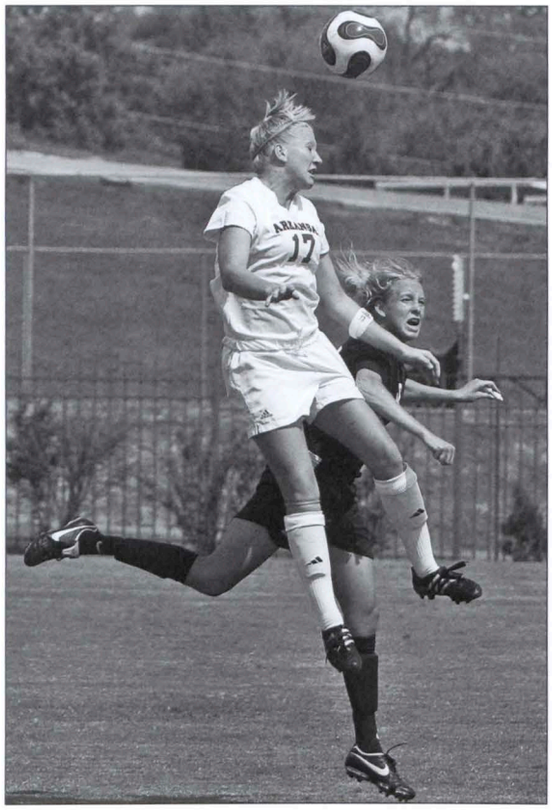
3-1 Liberty

4-0 Northeastern State

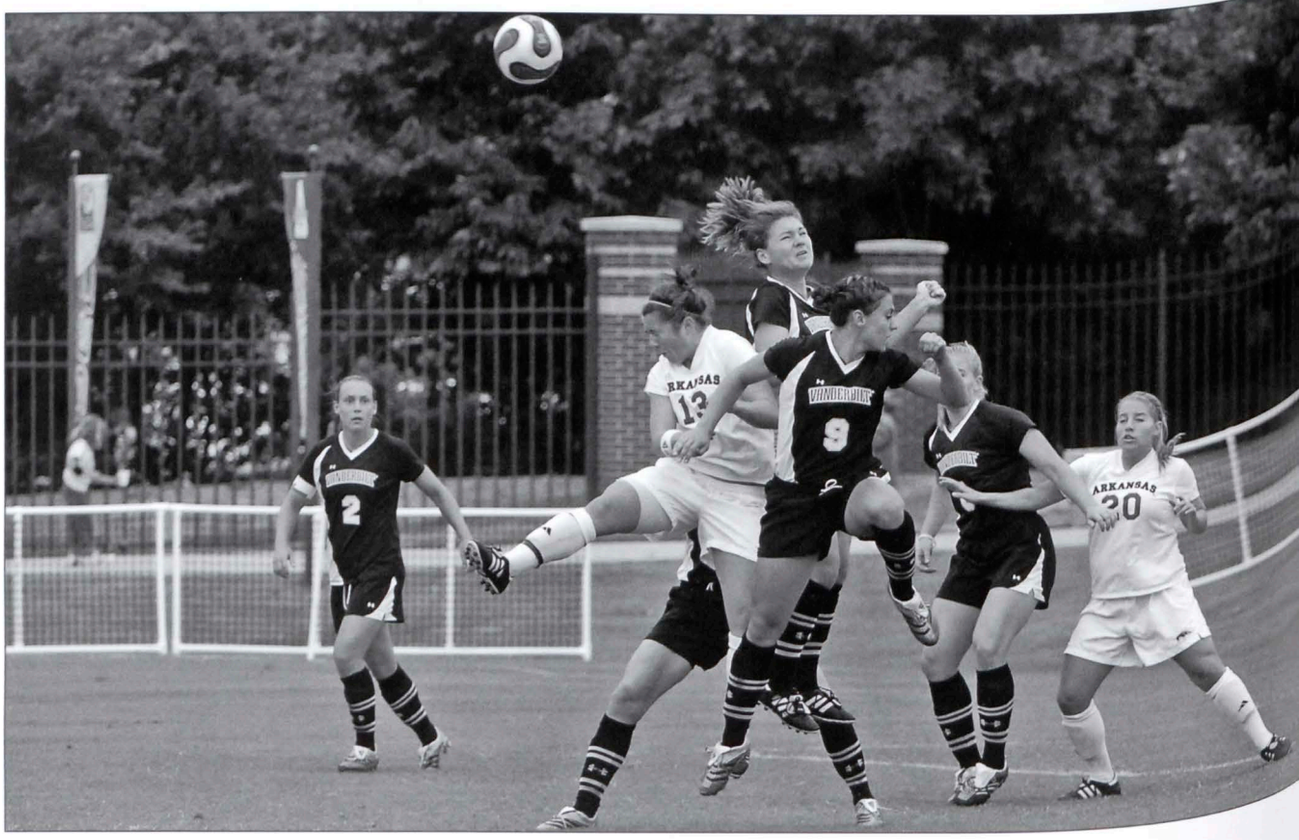
4-1 S.E. Louisiana

2-3 Missouri State

3-0 Oral Roberts







Above, left: Sophomore Lindsay Patterson makes a header against Liberty during the Sept. 3 game. The Lady'Backs defeated the Lady Flames with a score of 3-1. PHOTO COURTESY OF LADY'BACK COMMUNICATIONS

Above, right: Freshman Kat Moffett traps the ball against Alabama. The Lady'Backs secured a 5-0 victory over the Crimson Tide after senior Christina Burger scored twice and Lindsay Patterson scored in the sixth minute of the game. PHOTO COURTESY OF LADY'BACK COMMUNICATIONS

0-1 Kentucky

0-1 LSU

1-1 South Carolina

0-1 Florida

0-0 Auburn

5-0 Alabama

0-3 Tennessee

2-1 Georgia

3-0 *Mississippi State*

Left: The Lady'Backs battle for the ball with the Vanderbilt Commodores. The Commodores put an end to Arkansas' seven-match winning streak, defeating the Lady'Backs in double overtime with a score of 1-2. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL

Above: Freshman Katie Somadelis takes the ball down the field during the Sept. 24 game against Vanderbilt. The match was the Lady'Backs first SEC loss of the season. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL

Previous Page: The Lady'Back soccer team calls the Hogs after their 3-1 victory over the Liberty Lady Flames. Senior Christina Burger made the game-winning score in the Sept. 3 match up. PHOTO COURTESY OF LADY'BACK COMMUNICATIONS



16 SEC consecutive titles

one team

a few newcomers

10 kilometers

final no.3 national ranking

CROSS COUNTRY

BY JEFF HOBSON

Arkansas cross country was synonymous with success. Each year, the Razorbacks fielded teams that could and usually did capture the national titles, and 2006 was no exception. The team was picked to win the SEC title and was ranked second in the nation at the start of the season.

At the first meet, the Razorbacks competed in their own backyard at the Arkansas Invitational and came out on top, earning a perfect team score when five Hog harriers finished the race together.

Although the start of the season was something to be proud of, coach John McDonnell realized it might not be a true indication of what his team was made of.



After taking the win in Fayetteville, the Razorbacks took another step in the direction of the national title when they won the Missouri Southern Stampede. But as the season progressed, so did the competition. The field the Razorbacks faced in the Oklahoma State Jamboree was far more formidable as the Hogs squared off against the likes of Kansas State, TCU, Houston and Oklahoma State but won the event in the end giving them their third consecutive Jamboree title.

With the next meet, the competition posed an even greater challenge as the Razorbacks hosted the Chile Pepper Festival 10k race as they faced SEC rival Alabama and powerhouses UTEP and Abilene Christian, all ranked in the top 25. The team came up with a second place team finish. Although Peter Kosgei looked to help the Hogs pass UTEP, the team came up short.

Two weeks later, the Hogs looked to capture their 16th consecutive SEC Title, and 33rd conference title under Coach McDonnell. At the SEC Championship, the Razorbacks finished well ahead of second place finisher Florida by a margin of 52 points between the two teams. "We all had a plan," Seth Summerside said. "My plan was to hang back and let them come to me. It turned out the way we wanted it to. Thankfully, everyone ran well and we kept the tradition alive."

All that was left to accomplish then was the grand prize, their 12th NCAA Title. After taking first place in the NCAA South Central Regionals, the Hogs would fall short of this task tying for fifth with Oregon.

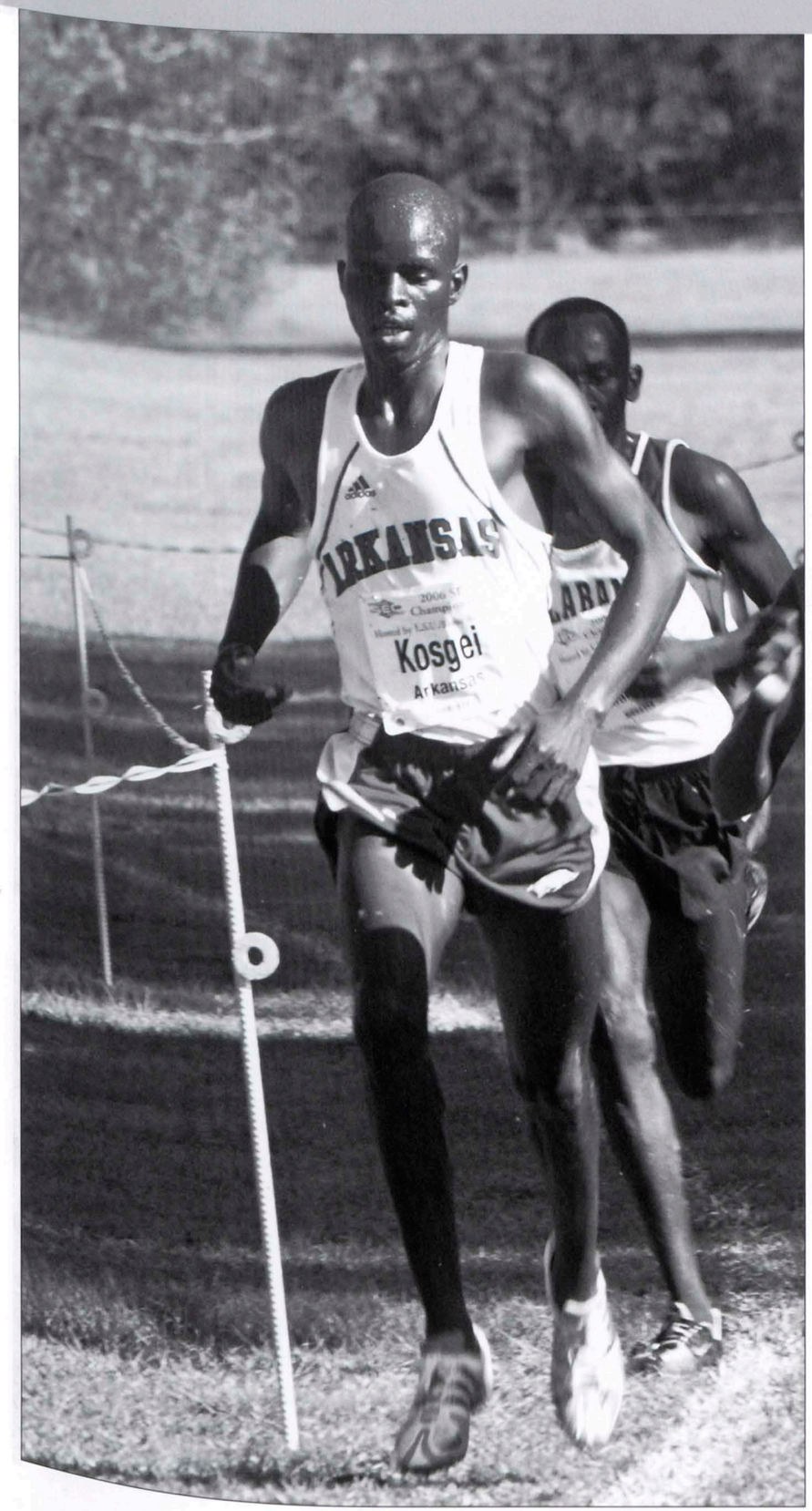
While the championship did not end as they might have hoped, the season was far from a failure. Ending up with five first place finishes and coming away with their 24th top five finish in the NCAA Championship, the 2006 cross country campaign was one that offered seniors the chance to leave as winners.

SCOREBOARD

tied 5th	NCAA Championships
1st	NCAA South Central Regional Championships
1st	SEC Championships
2 of 20	Chile Pepper Festival
1st	Oklahoma State Jamboree
1st	Missouri Southern Invitational
1 of 13	Arkansas/Missouri Southern/ Missouri State Tri-Meet

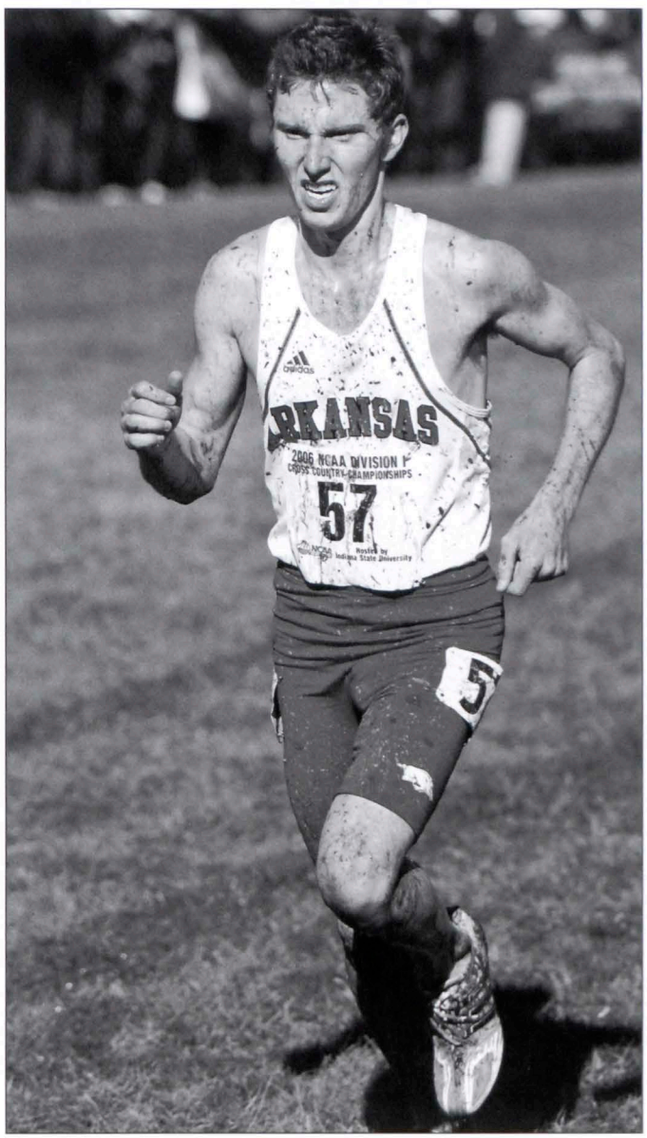
Previous page: The Razorbacks take off at the 18th annual Chile Pepper Festival 10k race in Fayetteville. A second-place finish by Peter Kosgei couldn't put the team to the top as the Razorbacks fell to second place.
PHOTOS COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

The team starts the 8k at the SEC Championship in Baton Rouge, La. in October. The Razorbacks finished four harriers in the top five, five in the top seven, seven in the top 21 and eight in the top 26.



Senior Peter Kosgei leads the pack at the SEC Championships. Kosgei had a third-place finish and the team won its 16th SEC and 33rd conference cross country title when they finished the 8k race in first place.

Freshman Scott MacPherson made his NCAA Cross Country Championship debut at the race in Terre Haute, Ind. He earned his first career All-America honor and was the fifth SEC runner to cross the finish line.





14 runners seven meets 11 SEC championships 14 South Central Regional Crowns one finish line CROSS COUNTRY

BY MEGAN GARNER AND COURTNEY CAMPBELL

With the team's four seniors graduating the previous year, the women of the Lady'Back cross country team had some big shoes to fill in the 2006 season. However, head coach Lance Harter was confident in the young team's experience.

"Now we are dominated by sophomores and juniors, but each has participated in numerous events which should make us a formidable team," Harter said at the beginning of the season.

And a formidable team they were, racking up six first-place finishes out of their seven meets. The season started out with the Fayetteville Invitational, where



sophomore Christine Kalmer led the Lady'Backs to a perfect score of 15. The next week the eighth-ranked Lady Razorbacks dominated the field at the Aztec Invitational, where freshman Brooke Upshaw ran the 5,000 meter course in 17:29, coming dangerously close to the course record set in 1984 by an Olympian who ran it in 16:50.

The successful season continued, with an upset at the Oregon Invitational, where the Lady Razorbacks scored 35 points on the strength of five runners among the top 10 finishers.

"Wow, I don't think that anyone is as surprised about this as I am," Harter said after the meet. "I am literally overwhelmed by what just happened."

Arkansas kept up their winning streak at the Chili Pepper Cross Country Festival, easily winning their first Chili Pepper Victory since 2002. Afterwards, the fourth-ranked Lady'Backs prepared for the SEC Championships in Baton Rouge. Upshaw once again led the way, claiming the individual championship and guiding the team to their 11th SEC title. Her victory made her the first freshman to take the individual crown since Alabama freshman Becki Wells in 1993.

Moving on to the NCAA regionals, the team won a solid victory with a score of 53 points, but more importantly, they secured a spot at the 2006 NCAA Championships. Upshaw was the star again, winning all-American honors and becoming only the third Lady'Back to do so. Arkansas placed fifth overall, in a victorious ending to an amazing season.

"I am very proud of this team," Harter said. "We came into this season with the goal of trying to win the SEC and NCAA Regional titles and doing well at the national championship. We accomplished all of those goals."

SCOREBOARD

5 of 31 NCAA Championships

1 of 14 NCAA South Central Regional

1 of 12 SEC Championships

1 of 44 Chili Pepper Festival

1 of 11 Oregon Invitational

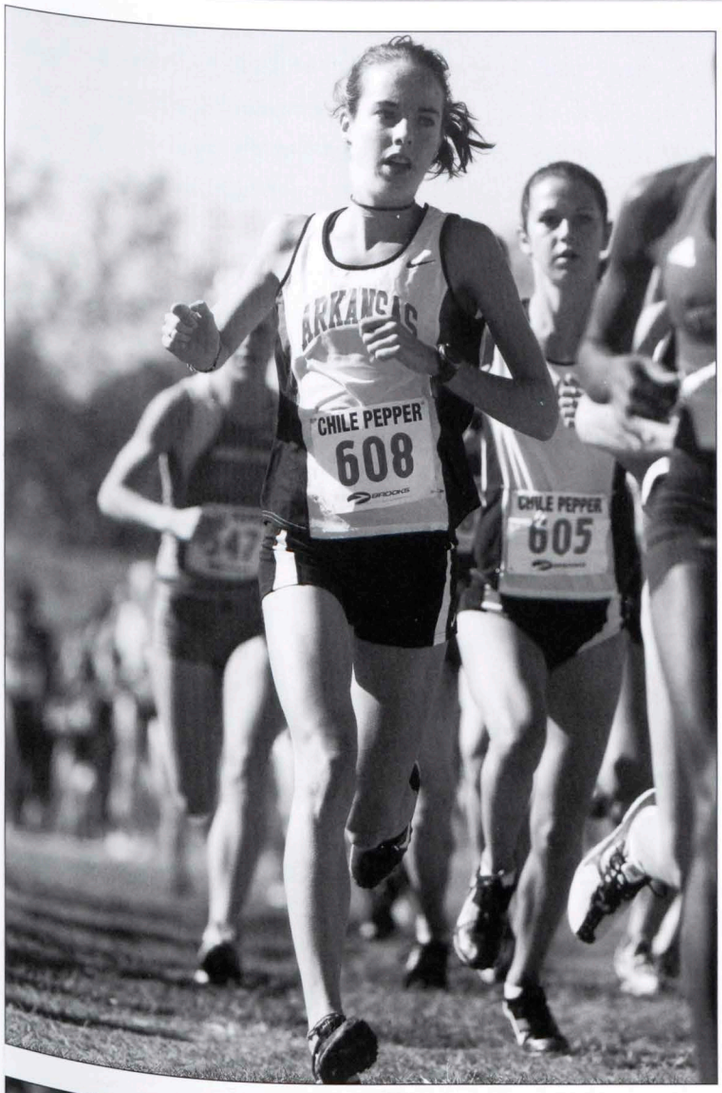
1 of 12 Aztec Invitational

1 of 3 Fayetteville Invitational

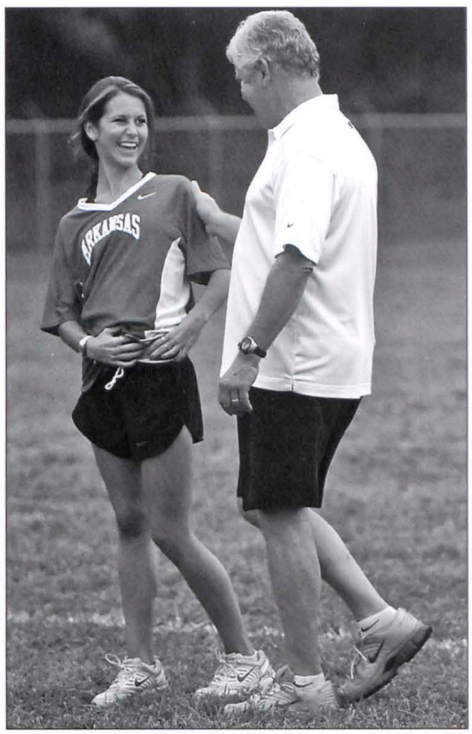
Previous page: The Lady'Backs lead the pack at the Fayetteville Invitational Sept. 8. The Lady'Backs came in first of three teams competing in the event. PHOTO COURTESY OF LADY'BACK COMMUNICATIONS

Above: Sophomore Kelly Vrshek battles for position at the Chile Pepper Cross Country Festival. Arkansas dominated the field, coming in first out of 44 teams. The win was the first Chile Pepper victory since 2002. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL

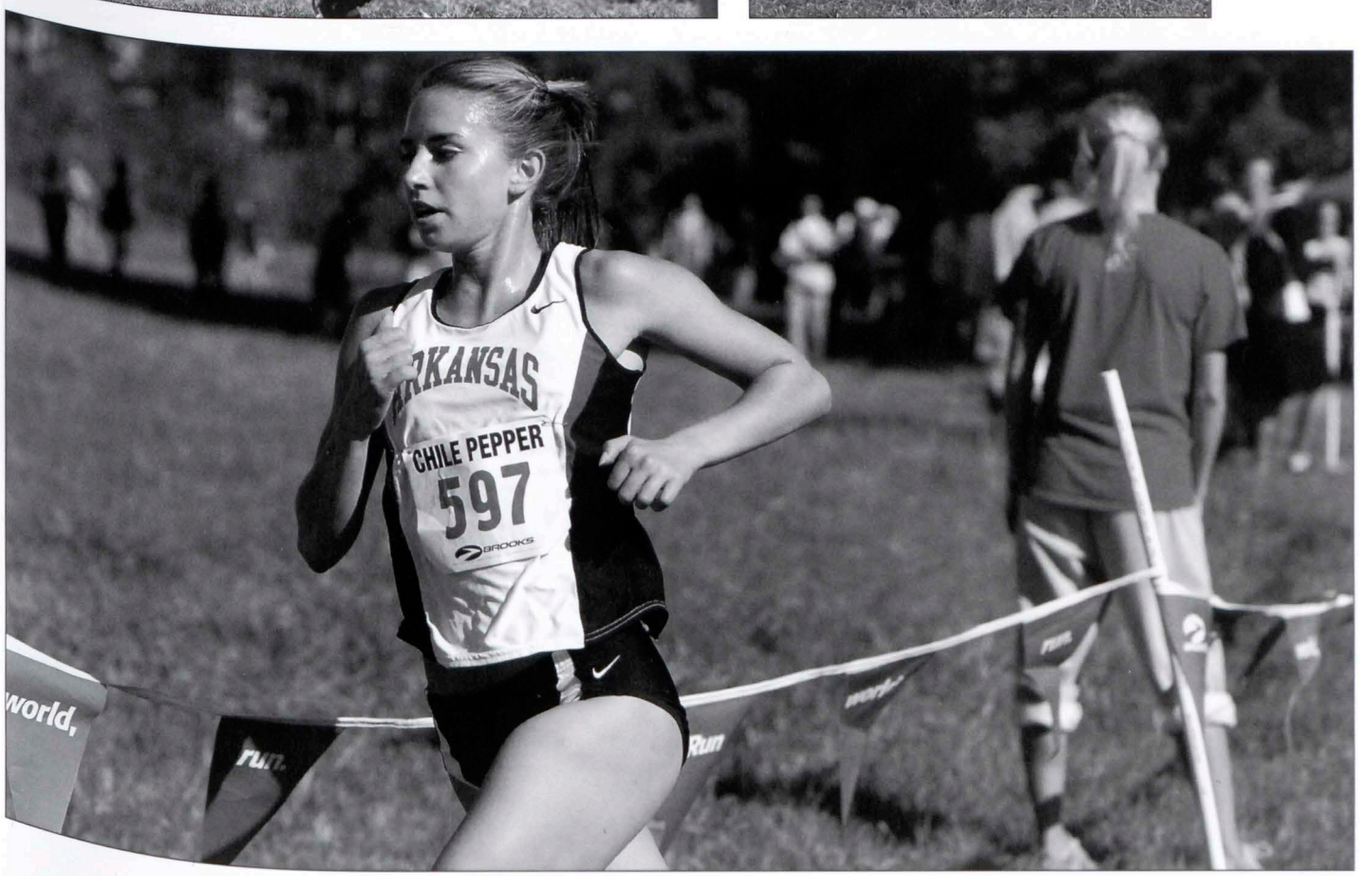
Opposite page, bottom: Sophomore Denise Bargiachi maintains speed during the Chile Pepper Festival, Oct. 14. Bargiachi placed ninth overall at the meet. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL



Freshman Brooke Upshaw sets the pace at the Chile Pepper Festival. Upshaw was named SEC Athlete of the Year, as well as taking All-American honors at the NCAA meet. PHOTO COURTESY OF LADY'BACK COMMUNICATIONS



Freshman Dani Parry takes a moment to joke with head coach Lance Harter. Parry was named SEC freshman of the year. PHOTO COURTESY OF LADY'BACK COMMUNICATIONS



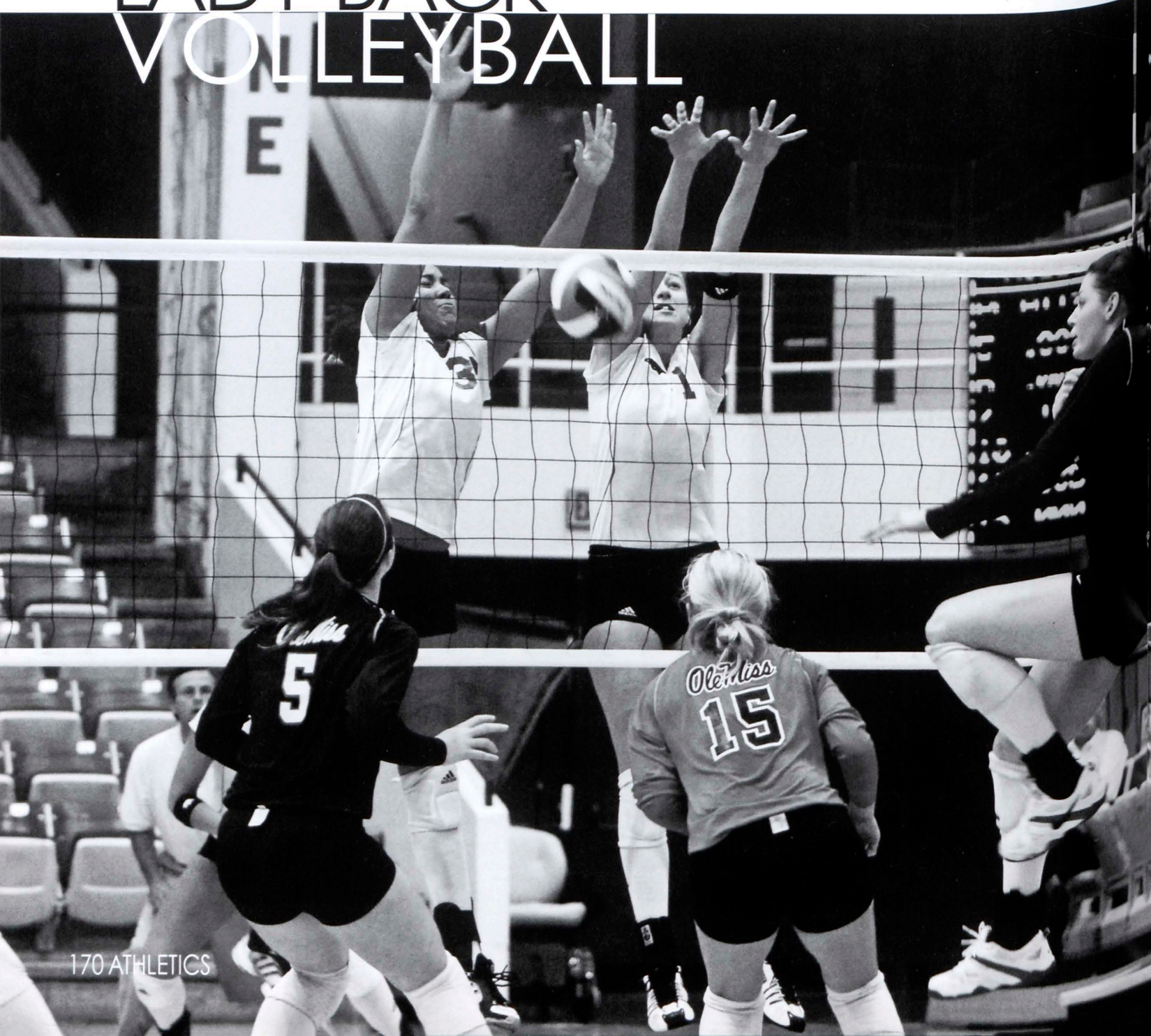
1,615 kills one net 303 total blocks 1,719 digs LADY'BACK VOLLEYBALL

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

Nine veterans and four newcomers approached the 2006 season ready to step to the next level after a solid last season with the program's ninth 20-win season in just the 12 years of volleyball at the UA.

The senior class was dedicated to an off-season training program to lead the volleyball team one step further and find routine, chemistry and consistency to reach their goals. The new schedule was to be a challenge with a double-round robin SEC schedule and facing nine NCAA tournament teams like powerhouses Tennessee, Florida and LSU.

The Lady Razorbacks opened SEC



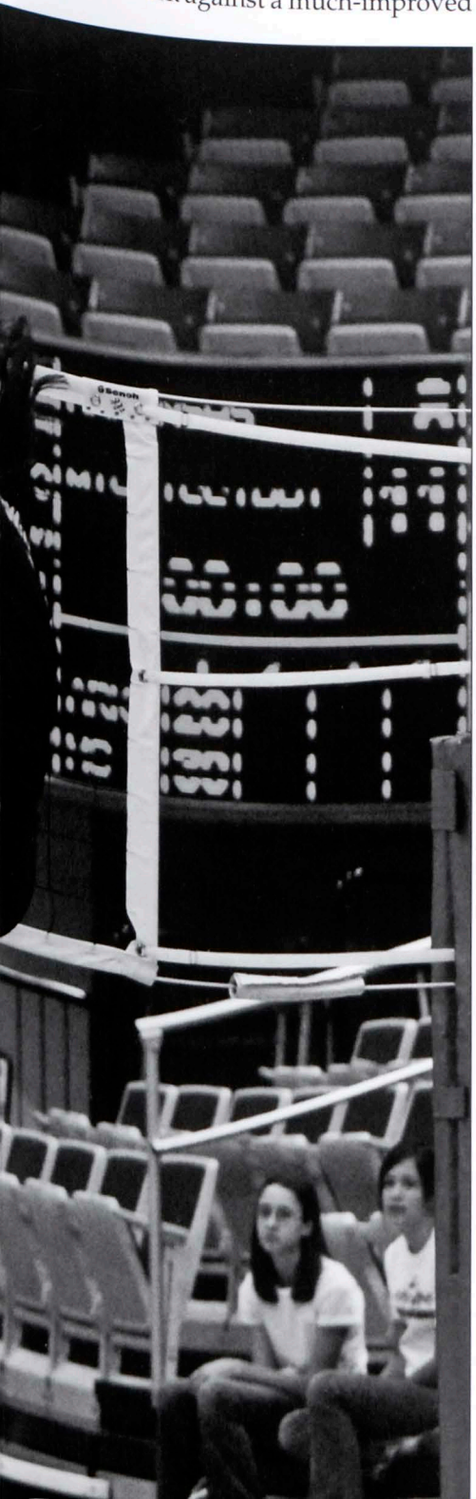
play with road trips to Kentucky and Tennessee and a solid start of 7-1 record. But the opener ended in a loss with no players in double-figures and more than 30 unforced errors. With the three-game loss, the team looked to regroup in Knoxville but couldn't pull through despite senior outside hitter Denitza Koleva posting a season-best 18 kills. The team went on a five-match losing streak finishing 3-7 through the first half of the double-round robin schedule.

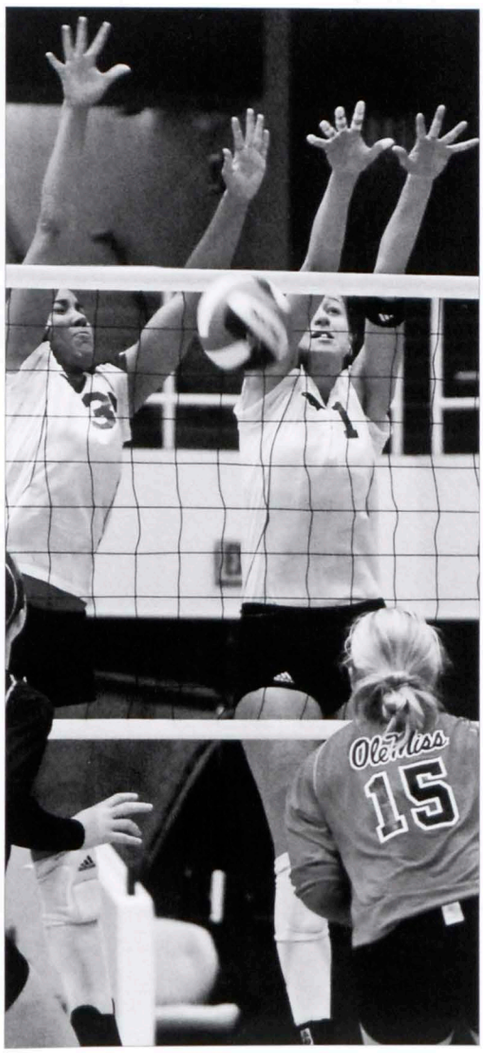
The Lady Razorbacks finished the regular season with a 16-12 overall record and a 9-11 mark against a much-improved SEC schedule.

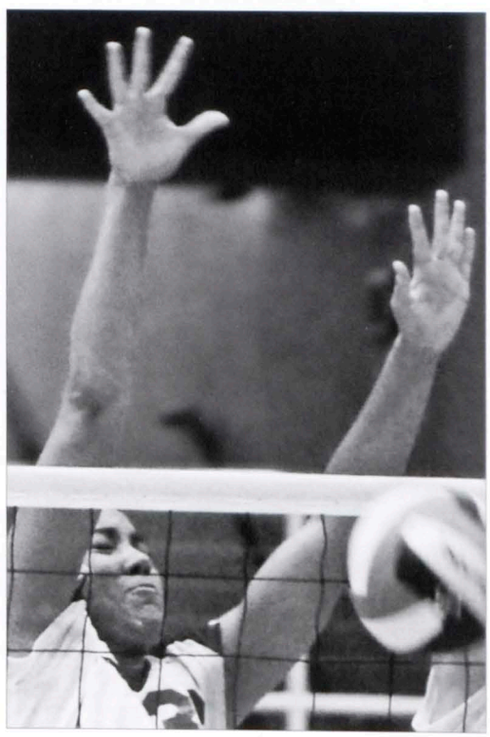
The team looked for a fresh start for the next 10 matches for the second half of the double-round robin schedule, taking advantage winning five in a row and finishing with a 6-4 record. Head coach, Chris Poole pulled out 16 wins in 2006, marking the 13th time in 13 seasons that the Lady'Backs had at least 16 wins.

The next step would have been clenching an NCAA title since the Lady'Backs had the home-court advantage for the NCAA tournament right at Barnhill Arena. But they fell short in a disappointing four-game loss to Missouri State in the first round as the college careers of three seniors, Amy Allison, Kele Brewer and Koleva ended. The seniors finished as the only class in Arkansas history to reach the NCAA tournament all four seasons, a huge accomplishment for the UA volleyball program and their coach, Poole, who led them throughout their college careers.

"This senior class may be one of 10 or 15 in the country who have gone all four years," Poole said. "They just found a way to get it done and won some big matches. This is a huge accomplishment for them and I'm very proud of them."



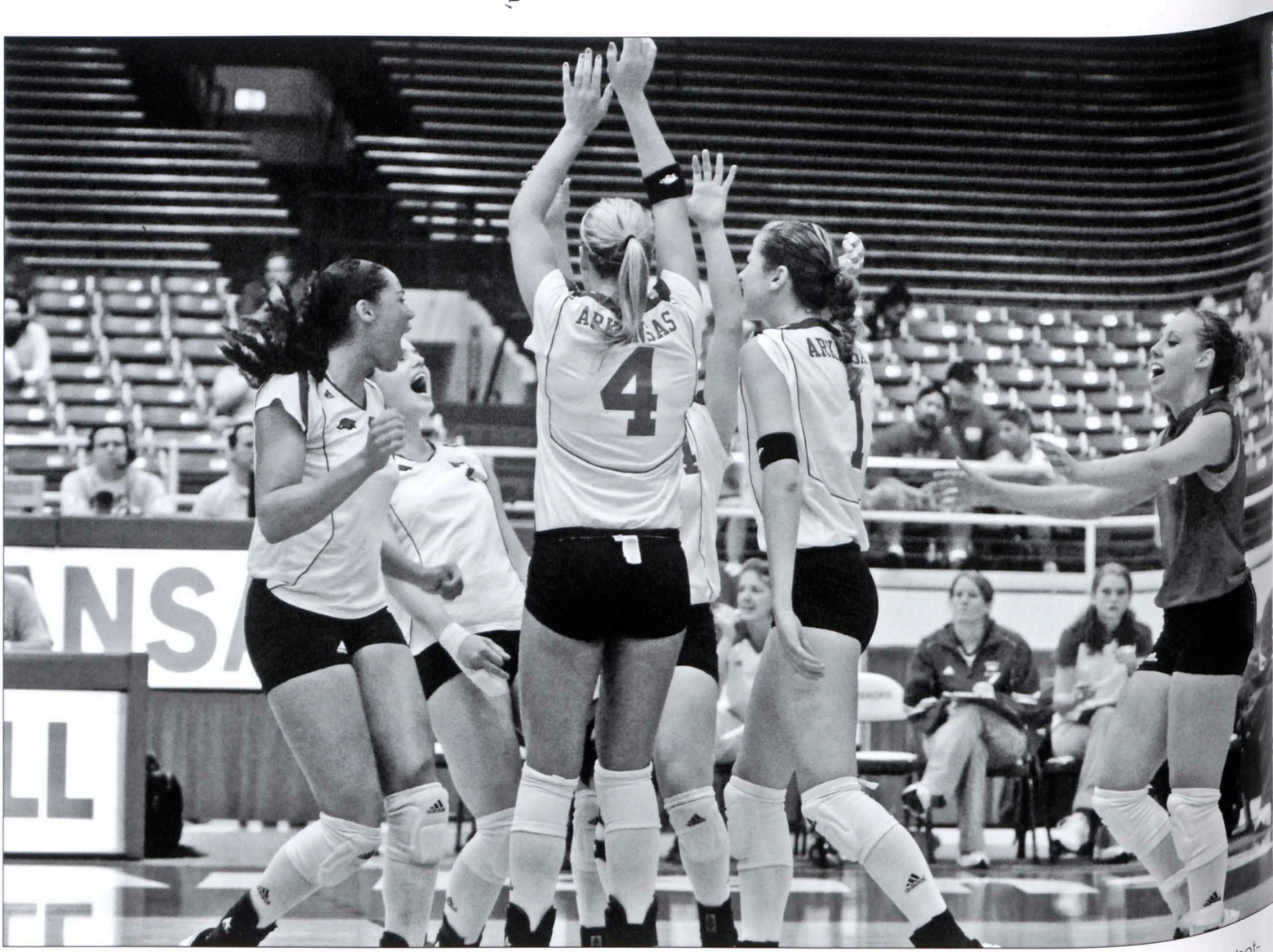




SCOREBOARD

16-13 overall

2-3	Auburn
0-3	Florida
0-3	Alabama
1-3	LSU
2-3	Mississippi
3-0	Mississippi State
3-1	South Carolina
3-0	Georgia
1-3	Tennessee
0-3	Kentucky
0-3,3-2	Kansas Tournament BYU, Kansas
3-1,3-2, 3-0	Arkansas Invitational Sacramento St., Stephen F. Austin, Southeast Missouri St.
3-1,3-2, 2-0	Oklahoma Invitational Idaho, Oklahoma, UNC



Previous page: Freshman middle blocker Destiny Clark and senior outside hitter Denitza Koleva go up for a block against Ole Miss. Koleva set personal bests in nearly every category this season including 68 total blocks. PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL

Above: The team celebrates after a lead against the Rebels. Clark set a school record for blocks with 18 in the five-game match against Ole Miss.

Opposite page, top left: Clark and junior outside hitter Jessica Dorrell go for a block against Georgia. Clark had seven kills in eight attempts for the Lady'Back victory.

Opposite page, top right: Senior middle blocker Amy Allison attempts to spike the ball against the Bulldogs. Allison combined with Clark for 18 kills in a dominating three-game SEC win over Georgia.

Opposite page, bottom: Junior libero Ashley Miller goes for a dig. Miller collected 36 digs in the Ole Miss match leading the team-best with 110 digs in SEC matches.

1-3	NCAA 1st Round
	Missouri State
0-3	Mississippi State
0-3	Mississippi
3-0	Alabama
0-3	LSU
1-3	Florida
3-1	Auburn
3-0	Georgia
3-0	South Carolina
3-1	*Kentucky*
3-1	*Tennessee*



12 swimmers eight lanes 5 divers FIFTY meters SWIMMING and DIVING

BY SHAUNA VO

The Lady'Back swimming and diving team improved tremendously this year with the most wins the program has seen since the 2002-2003 season.

Arkansas finished the regular season 4-4 in dual meets this year compared to finishing 5-5 in the 2002-2003 season.

Individual improvement was the focus of the season for each Lady Razorback, coach Jeff Poppell said.

They certainly fulfilled this goal, turning in 80 individual-best times and having several Lady'Backs with two or more individual wins.

"We made some big, big steps this year



from where we started in the fall. I feel very confident about being able to come back to the SEC Championships next year and be competitive with the other teams in the conference," Poppell said.

"SECs are truly one of the most exciting and pressure-packed championships because of the atmosphere and the fact that we're competing against some of best teams in the country," he continued. "It's good to see our girls stepping up and competing against the best."

Arkansas finished the SEC swimming championships in ninth place and Auburn took home the SEC title. The diving championships went even better, with the diving team finishing in sixth place.

The diving team went on to compete in the NCAA Zone "D" Diving Meet at the University of Texas, where they turned in impressive individual achievements and gained valuable experience.

The freestyle and butterfly specialist for the Lady'Back swimming team achieved a different type of individual accomplishment which impacted the Northwest Arkansas community.

UA senior Kristen Thibodeaux was named to the 2007 Southeastern Conference Swimming and Diving Community Service Team for giving back to the community in superior service efforts such as being involved in Champions of Character and Conference of Champions among others.

"She is a giver and receives great satisfaction in helping others," Poppell said. "She represents a wonderful example for others to follow."

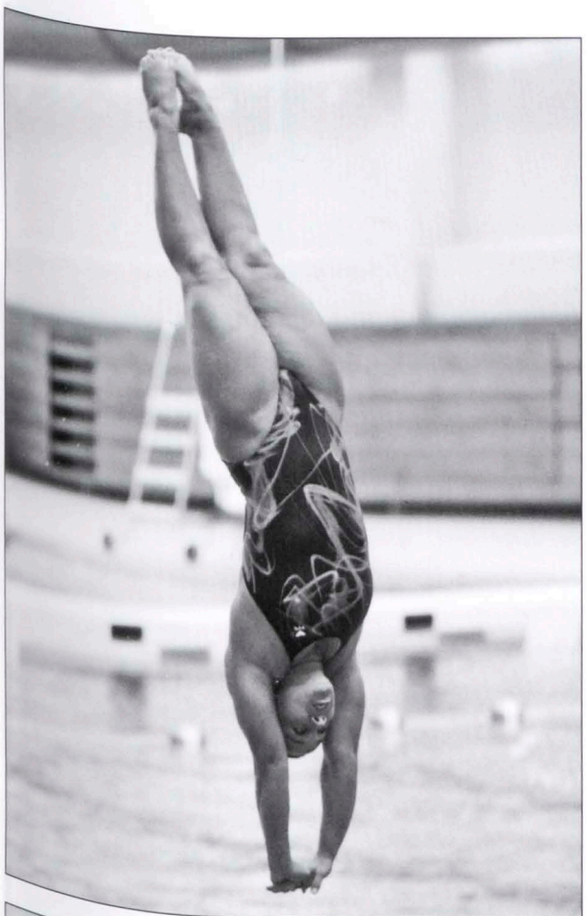
Thibodeaux leaves the UA setting the foundation for individual accomplishments not only in the community but also for individual improvement that could lead to a group success for the Lady'Back swimming and diving team.

SCOREBOARD

6th place	SEC Diving Championships
130-110	Drury
185-115	Missouri State
168-130	Denver
4th place	Ohio State Invitational
161-138	Emory
114-178	Georgia
132-168	LSU
132-168	Nebraska
89-149	South Carolina

Previous page: Senior Kristen Thibodeaux swims the butterfly during a meet. Thibodeaux was the Lady'Backs' butterfly specialist, and was named to the SEC Community Service team for her efforts with the Champions of Character. PHOTOS COURTESY OF LADY'BACK COMMUNICATIONS

Sophomore Dashya Kimmel swims the backstroke while outrunning the competition at a Lady'Back swim meet. Kimmel was one of the team's backstroke specialists.



Sophomore Madison Palmer takes a dive for the Lady'Backs. Palmer led the way at the SEC Championships, placing 13th overall with a score of 196.45. Palmer also scored three individual wins during the season.



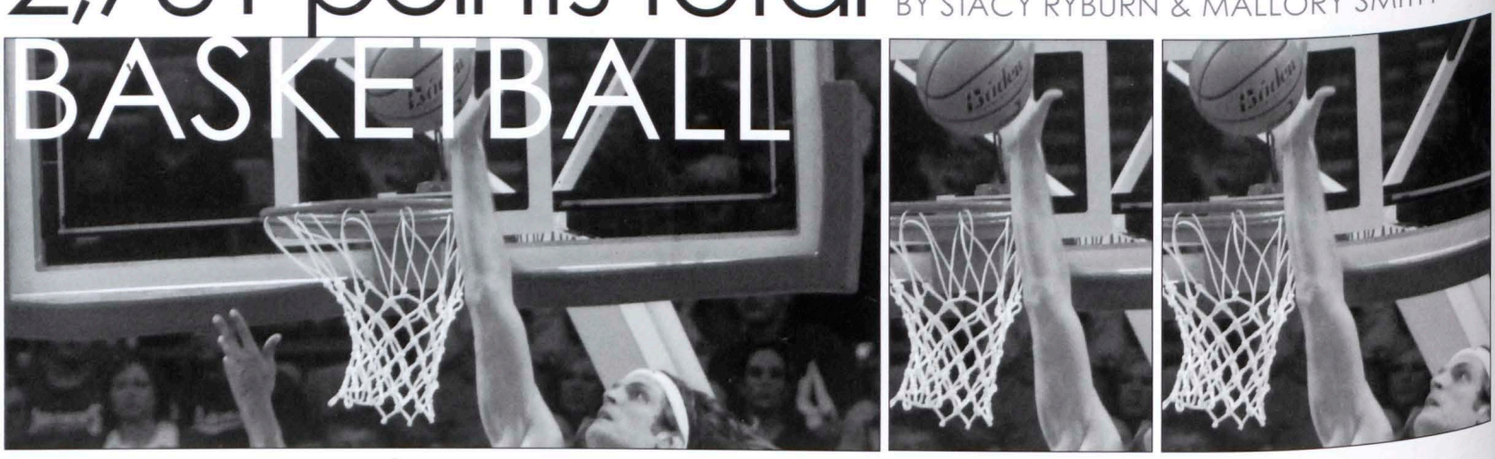


Above: Assistant coach Todd Mann and head coach Jeff Poppell cheer wildly during the Nov. 4 match-up against LSU. The Lady'Backs were defeated with a score of 132 to 168.

Left: Sophomore Summer Jackson takes a dive off the blocks. Jackson took home two wins in the freestyle events in the Jan. 20 match against Drury.

5 players one game a few turnovers 12th seed 2,731 points total BASKETBALL

BY STACY RYBURN & MALLORY SMITH



The Razorback basketball season was full of surprises. No one knew Patrick Beverly was going to explode into one of the best freshmen guards in the nation or that Sonny Weems would develop into such a key player.

But it was no surprise that the Razorbacks consistently gave fans an exciting and entertaining 40 minutes of basketball.

After starting the season without three 1,000-point scorers and 70 percent of their offense from the previous season, the Hogs were pleased with their performance.

"I think if you had told people we would play for the conference championship, win the Old Spice Classic, go 4-3 against ranked teams and win 20 games again and be in the NCAA Tournament again, they would have been happy," head coach Stan Heath said.

The team was happy with their performance as well, and looked to be even more successful in later seasons. As one of only four SEC teams returning to the NCAA Championships in back-to-back years, the team's expectations were high.

"Our future is bright. I look at us like Kansas. They lost in the first round the last two years and now they are one of the top teams in the country," Heath said.

Heath was also surprised at the way his team came together throughout the year.

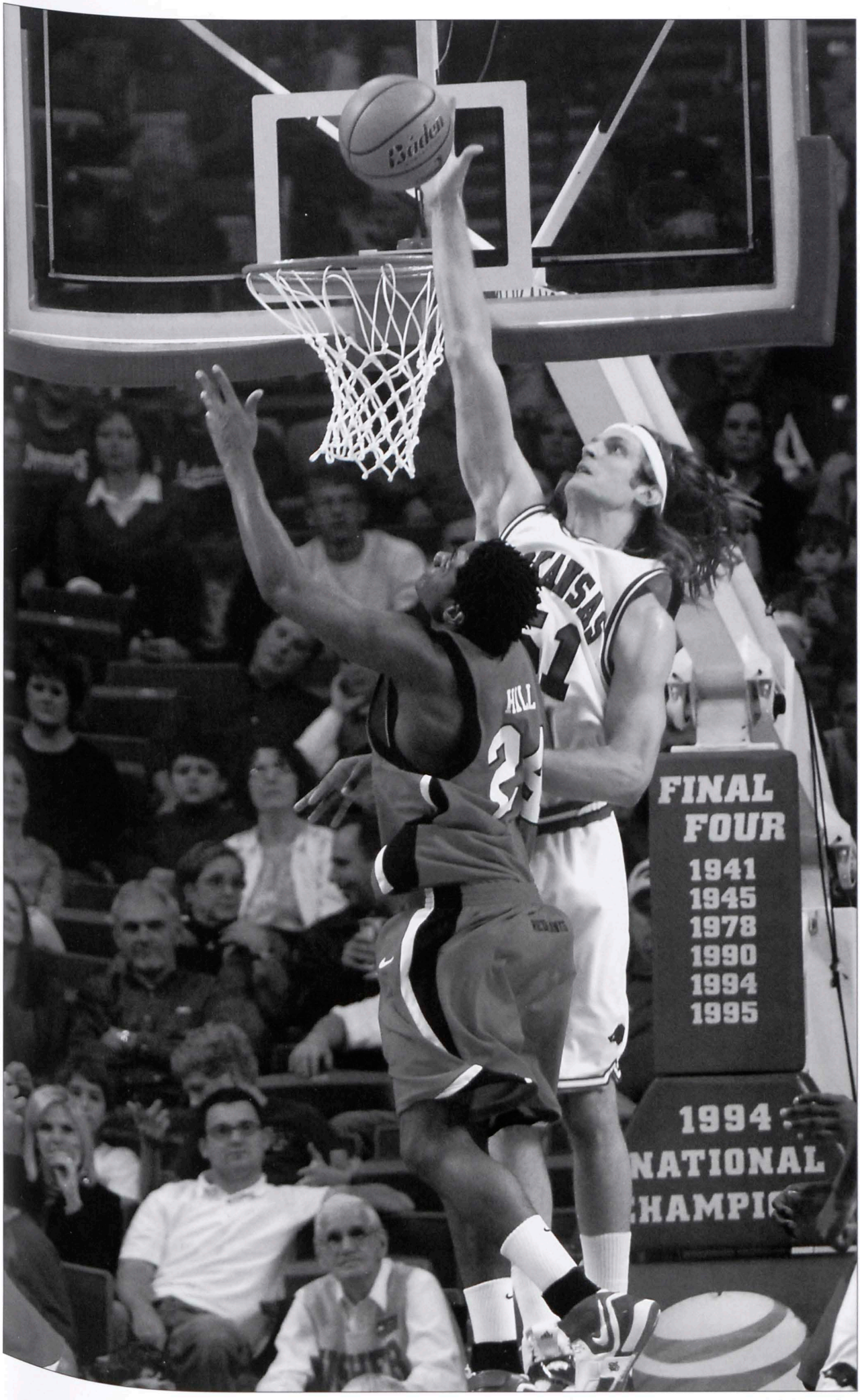
"I saw the team pull together and win five straight, and fight. We banded together and got things accomplished when no one cared about who got the credit," Heath said in a season recap press conference.

Perhaps the biggest surprise of all this season was that Heath would not return to coach the Razorbacks for another season.

On Monday, April 2nd, Creighton University's head coach Dana Altman was named Arkansas' new head coach. And surprisingly, by Tuesday, Altman announced he was heading back to Omaha where he had been coaching for 13 years.

But by 3 p.m. a week later, Arkansas signed former South Alabama head coach John Pelphrey to stay.

"You have to understand, my whole life my blood has bled blue and I still love my alma mater," Pelphrey said in a subsequent press conference. "But today, my blood bleeds Arkansas Razorback red. This is a dream job for me."



Steven Hill defends the goal against Mississippi State. Hill was known for his defensive plays. After setting a university record in his sophomore year with 91 rejections, he has proven himself as a key defensive player for the Razorbacks. PHOTO BY DARREN MCNEILL

SCOREBOARD

24-14 overall

68-59	Tulsa
80-50	Louisana Tech
68-56	Oral Roberts
76-80	Texas
56-71	Texas Tech
91-57	Oakland University
75-59	Central Michigan
71-61	Missouri-Kansas City
64-86	Missouri
71-64	West Virginia
73-64	Marist
61-53	Southern Illinois
70-59	Stephen F. Austin
92-52	Southeast Missouri
75-68	California University
82-49	Xavier - New Orleans

Freshman guard Patrick Beverly dodges Mississippi State defenders. Beverly was named SEC Newcomer of the Year and Freshman of the Year. Among all freshmen in the SEC, Beverly was first in scoring. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS

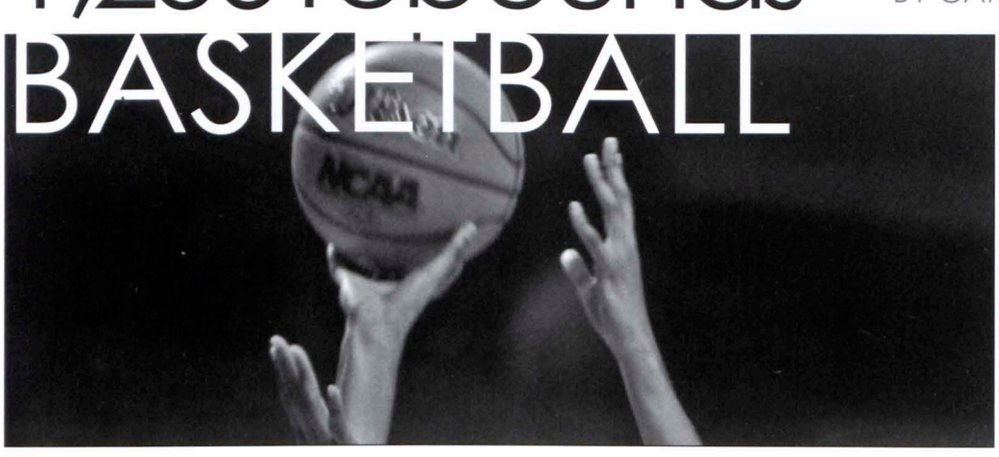
60-77	Southern California
	NCAA Tournament
56-77	Florida
81-72	Mississippi St.
72-71	Vanderbilt
82-52	South Carolina
	SEC Tournament
72-71	Vanderbilt
67-58	Mississippi St.
72-83	Tennessee
59-67	Auburn
83-66	Ole Miss
60-84	Mississippi St.
67-71	LSU
65-57	Auburn
74-82	Kentucky
63-57	Alabama
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72-74	Ole Miss
72-79	*Florida*
88-61	*Alabama*

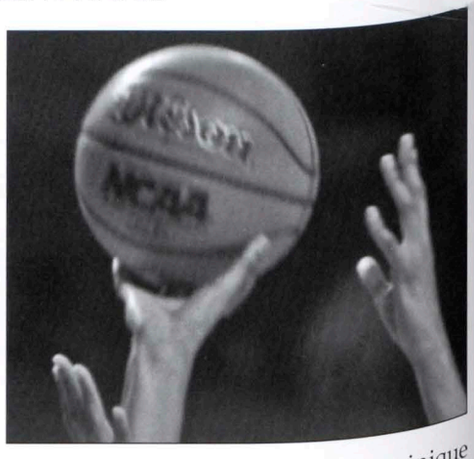
Senior guard Gary Ervin dribbles on the court during the pre-season Red and White Scrimmage. Ervin was named SEC Player of the Week twice during the season after he scored career highs in wins against Alabama and Mississippi State. PHOTOS BY DARREN MCNEILL

Head coach Stan Heath disagrees with a call from the sidelines. After five years of coaching the Razorbacks, Heath would not return as head coach for the following season.

four seniors one shot six newcomers 3-11 SEC record 1,256 rebounds BASKETBALL

BY CAROLYN FINNIE





Optimism was the word around the Lady'Back locker room in October. With the largest and most heralded recruiting class in over a decade combined with seven players that each had at least one start in their careers, it was an exciting beginning for the team.

Back for their senior season after injuries were leading scorer Sarah Pfeifer and rebounder Danielle Allen and six newcomers joined bringing new talent to the 13-player roster.

The only challenge was bringing the team together to push through the veteran-focused SEC, loaded with powerhouse programs like Tennessee and Vanderbilt.

"Every year, we've started the season with the goal of being a pressing team, but once again, injuries have gotten in the way of those plans," Head Coach Susie Gardner said. "Man defense remains a big part of our game, but our quickness has increased and we are working on some aggressive zone defenses. Mental toughness is the most important part of our defense. It is a mind set."

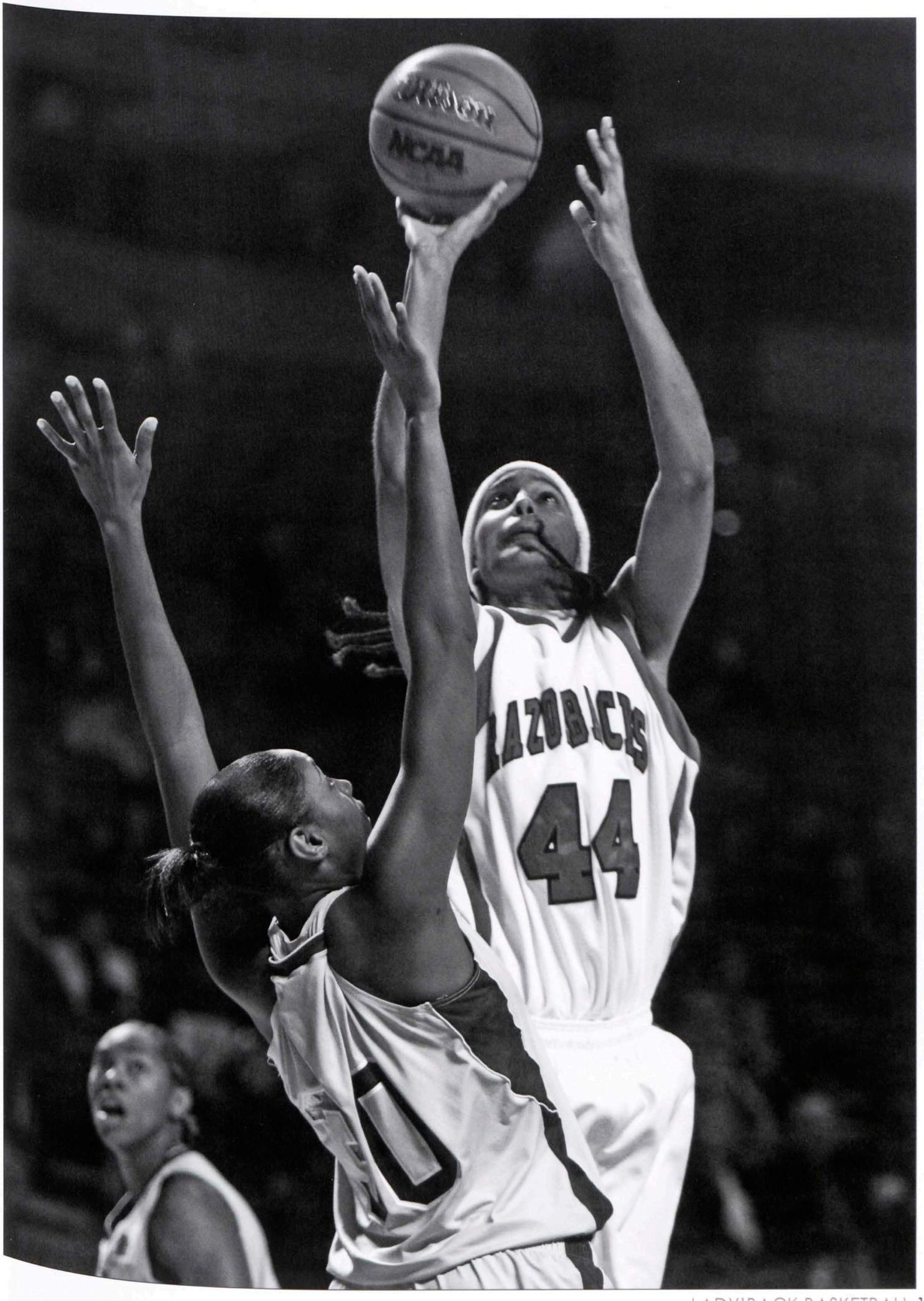
The season started by knocking off teams before SEC play began with a 15-1 record, the best start in school history. Arkansas began conference games ranked No. 20 and took on the opener against 11th-ranked Vanderbilt on the road in January. The Lady'Backs fell from poor shooting and never regained a lead, losing their first game since November. Though the team picked up the pace after the first two SEC losses with three wins against Auburn, Alabama and Florida, they suffered from losses the remainder of the season.

Perhaps the most heartbreaking defeat was senior night against second-ranked Tennessee. Senior guard Dominique Washington drained a 20-foot shot from the corner with four seconds remaining to send the game into overtime.

"I thought if I had the chance, it was going in," Washington said. "I got it, and it did."

Though the opening 40 minutes proved the Lady'Backs might score the greatest upset in the 31-year program history, the Vols rallied to a 75-68 win in overtime.

The team finished the year 18-13 but with a school-record 10-game losing streak, nine straight to SEC opponents. And at the season end, Gardner stepped down from her post after four seasons. Former Louisville coach Tom Collen, who was the Arkansas recruiting coordinator from 1993 to 1997, replaced Gardner as the seventh head coach for the Lady'Backs.


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SCOREBOARD

18-13 overall

70-54	Memphis
78-67	Tulsa
70-58	Southern Methodist
90-40	Texas Southern
97-62	Portland State
69-94	North Carolina
70-56	Hawaii
84-58	Denver
80-70	Wichita State
58-46	Austin Peay
77-39	Lipscomb
62-54	Louisiana Monroe
75-69	Clemson
78-48	Missouri Southern



Previous page: Junior Lauren Ervin jumps against a University of Louisiana Monroe player. Ervin scored 13 for the 62-54 victory and broke the Bud Walton Arena record for blocked shots with seven. PHOTOS COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Sarah Pfeifer makes a jumper against North Carolina in the Rainbow Wahine title contest. The Lady'Backs couldn't keep the pace and fell to the No. 2 Tarheels 94-69.

57-72	SEC Tournament
51-69	Georgia
68-75	Tennessee
60-87	Kentucky
65-86	LSU
69-74	South Carolina
87-90	Ole Miss
75-80	Mississippi State
34-61	Vanderbilt
53-70	LSU
67-57	Florida
71-63	Alabama
65-62	Auburn
73-81	Mississippi State
61-98	Vanderbilt
66-59	St. Louis
92-82	Cincinnati
75-54	*Stephen F. Austin*

Senior Sarah Pfeifer drives the lane against Texas Southern University to lead the Lady'Backs to a 90-40 victory over the Tigers. The team held a commanding lead the whole game and the win improved the team to 9-1 on the year.

All SEC-freshman Donica Cosby, goes for a layup against TSU. Arkansas opened the game hot from the floor, scoring the game's first 12 points and Cosby drained the first eight on a pair of threes and a short jumper.

13 members onescore a perfect ten four events 15 meets GYMNASTICS

BY MALLORY SMITH

The season looked grim for the Gym'Backs. Their 2006-2007 schedule was announced and it revealed that the No. 15 ranked gymnastics team was pitted against 14 other teams ranked in the top 25. To say the season was going to be tough was an understatement.

A lesser team would have worried, but the Gym'Backs were confident. With three returning school record-holders and their fans to back them up, the team welcomed the Super Six gymnastics meet to Barnhill Arena.

Competing against five other nationally ranked teams, the young team fin-



ished last but still managed to wow the crowd with their routines. Junior Emily Peacock scored a 9.625 in her floor routine, while other Gym'backs gave solid performances as well.

After suffering a heartbreaking loss at home, the Gym'backs travelled the following week to No. 14 Penn State where they claimed a big win and the positive mind set to take on the rest of their season.

"We're both very pleased with the attitudes and competitiveness tonight," co-head coach Rene Cook said regarding the meet.

The Gym'Backs solid performances carried into the next several meets as they faced stiff competition. Arkansas newcomer, freshman Michelle Stout, broke the school vault record in an SEC meet when she scored a 9.95.

"The girls are continuing to perform well under pressure and showing so much resiliency. It's fun to watch the growth each week," Cook said.

The growth showed as the team started to climb the polls reaching No. 11, and the Gym'Backs began to receive more national attention. Peacock was named to the SEC Good Works Team, and senior Cassie Drew earned SEC Gymnast of the Week accolades for her committment to the program and consistent success throughout the season.

"This is a tough honor to get in this conference because of the strength of the athletes. I'm proud of her hard work and commitment to the program. She's very deserving of this," Cook said.

The team finished the season with a record of 17-16. This winning record was the first in program history. However, with stellar performances and more returning record setters, it was sure to not be the last winning record.

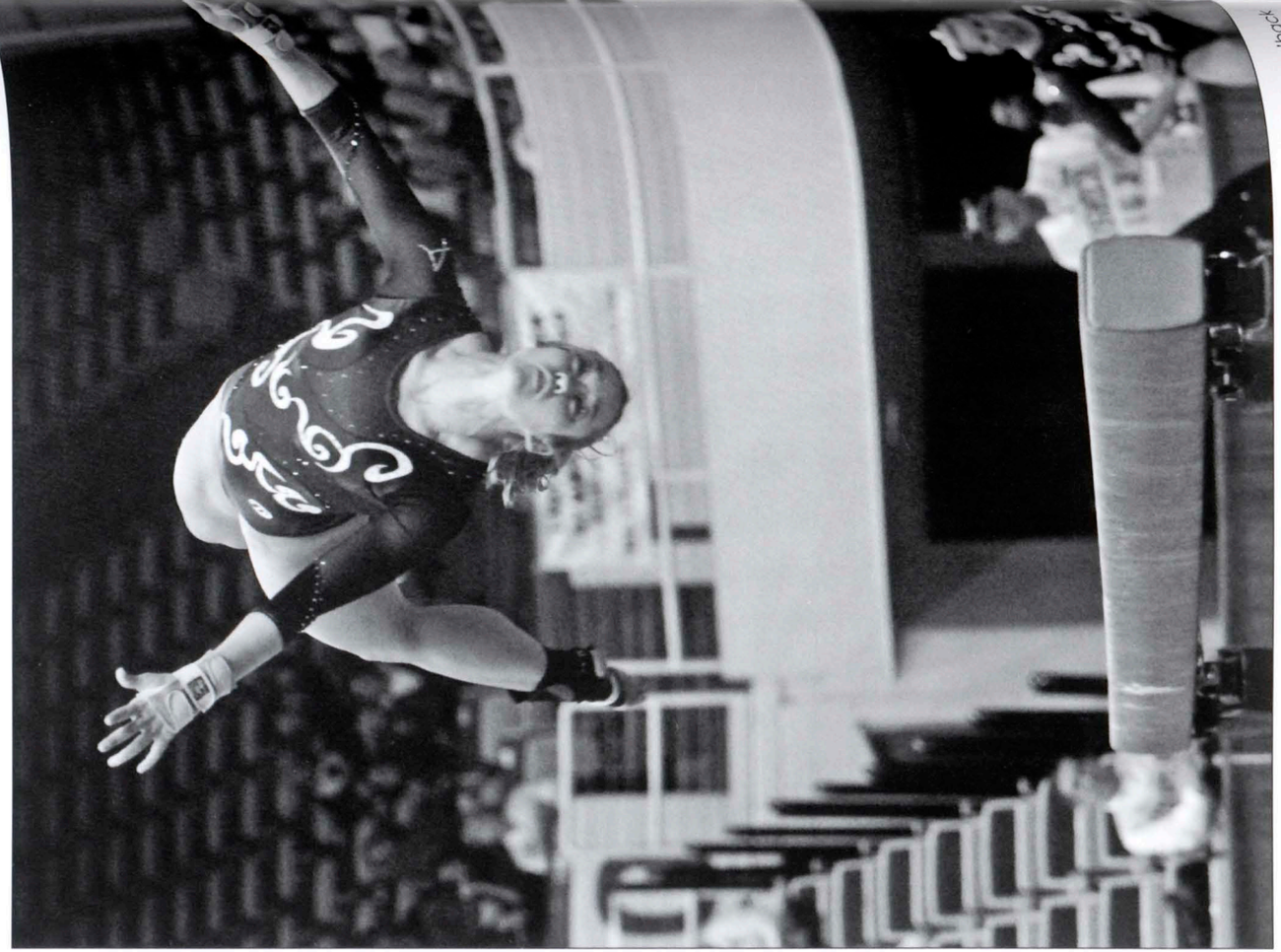






SCOREBOARD

196.325 - 195.5	Auburn
195.850 - 193.650	Kentucky
194.175 - 197	Alabama
195.775 - 197.275	Florida
2nd place	Utah, Brigham Young University, Southern Utah University
195.575 - 196.5	LSU
196.075- 196.1	Georgia
194.85- 193.6	Penn State
6th place	Super Six Challenge



Previous Page: Gymnast Emily Peacock completes her floor routine against Georgia as her teammates and coaches cheer from the sides. The Gym'backs meets consisted of four events, vault, uneven bars, balance beam and floor exercise. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS

Above: A Gym'back performs on the bal... The ... for ... ance ... record ... was ... beam ... university ... season ... the ... matched ... this ... Magee ... as Casey ... Jo ... out ... of ... scored a 9.95 ... was ... 10. This ... record ... Katie ... consisted ... by ... events, ... vault, ... uneven ... also ... held ... who ... same ... bars, ... balance ... beam ... Hardman ... the ... and ... floor ... exercise. ... ceived ... PHOTO ... score ... in ... 2004. ... BY TRISTAN EVANS

3rd place	NCAA Regionals
5th place	SEC Championship
1st place	Missouri, Texas Women's University, Southeast Missouri State
	Arizona State
196.175 - 195.125	
1st place	West Virginia, Pittsburgh, New Hampshire

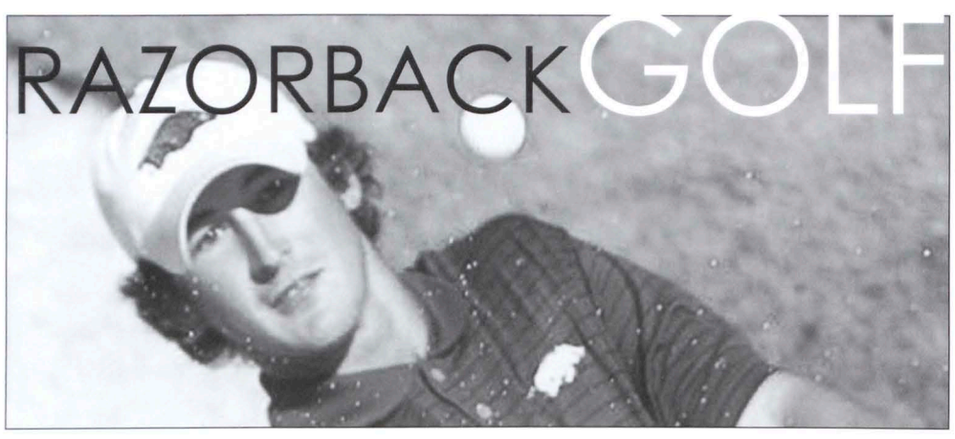
Above: Junior Sarah Nagashima performs on the uneven bars in the meet against Georgia.
Samantha Cortez maintains her form in the floor exercises. Her career best in this event was a 9.875, acheived in 2005 at the Gym'Back Quad. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS

Samantha Cortez performs on the balance beam. In the 2006 season, Cortez recieved a 9.650 on the beam against number three Georgia. PHOTO BY CHRIS BRYAN

ten tournaments oneshot a few bogeys 13,853 overall strokes 10th SEC finish

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

RAZORBACK GOLF





The Razorbacks were quick to become acclimated to a new coach after Mike Ketcham, who led the Razorbacks to three NCAA Regional and two NCAA Championship appearances, resigned in June 2006 after five seasons. Brad McMakin would lead as the 13th head coach in the UA golf program's history and in his first year, McMakin constructed a 10-tournament slate designed to prepare the Razorbacks for a postseason run.

"I think we were able to put together a schedule with a good mix of competition," McMakin said after the schedule was released. "I want to see our guys enjoy some early success and build some confidence as the level of competition increases. In the end, I think this schedule provides us with a chance to be playing our best golf heading into the SEC and NCAA Championships."

The team proved their level of confidence and readiness for competition in fall play by tying for first place at the Del Walker Intercollegiate. They captured their first tournament title in a span of 40 events and continued to post above average scores.

The Razorbacks opened spring tournament play at the John A. Burns Intercollegiate in February where sophomore Andrew Landry finished tied for fourth with an 8-under-par total of 208 while the Razorbacks finished tied for 14th.

The team jumped their ranking to 10th after they finished tied with a 39-over-par 879 at the U.S. Intercollegiate in April in Stanford, Calif. The next feat was the SEC Championships at the Seaside Course in Georgia. Arkansas shot its best round of the weekend to finish 10th at the SEC Golf Champions.

Landry continued his outstanding sophomore campaign and led the Hogs in scoring average at 72.0 and ranks among the best in the Southeastern Conference. He finished in the top 10 at eight events this season and in the top five on six of those occasions.

"Andrew came in as a transfer and immediately assumed a leadership role on our golf team," McMakin said. "He performed each and every week and proved he is one of the top golfers in the SEC."

He was one of six individual qualifiers for the NCAA Central Regional where he finished tied for sixth despite finishing second and fifth in the first and second rounds of the tournament. He missed qualifying for the NCAA Championships by two spots. Landry was the Razorbacks' top finisher in nine of 13 tournaments this season.



Sophomore Andrew Landry chips from the sand during tournament play. Landry was named an second-team All-SEC golfer, leading the Hogs in scoring average at 72 and finishing in the top 10 at eight events. PHOTO COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

SCOREBOARD

10th	Diet Pepsi Shocker Classic
15th	Hootie at Bulls Bay
7th	Border Olympics
6th	Callaway Invitational
tied 14th	John A. Burns Intercollegiate
2nd	Lochinvar Challenge
tied 12th	CordeValle Collegiate
7th	Oklahoma Intercollegiate
5th	Wolf Run Intercollegiate
7th	Wolf Pack Classic
tied 1st	Del Walker Intercollegiate

A furry Razorback cover protects one of the player's set of clubs. The Razorbacks finished 10th at the SEC Golf Championship on the par-70, 6,991-yard course.

Freshman Dalton Owens follows through on a drive. Owens rounded out the Hogs scoring with a 3-over-par 73 on the final day of the SEC Championships at the Sea Island Golf Club.

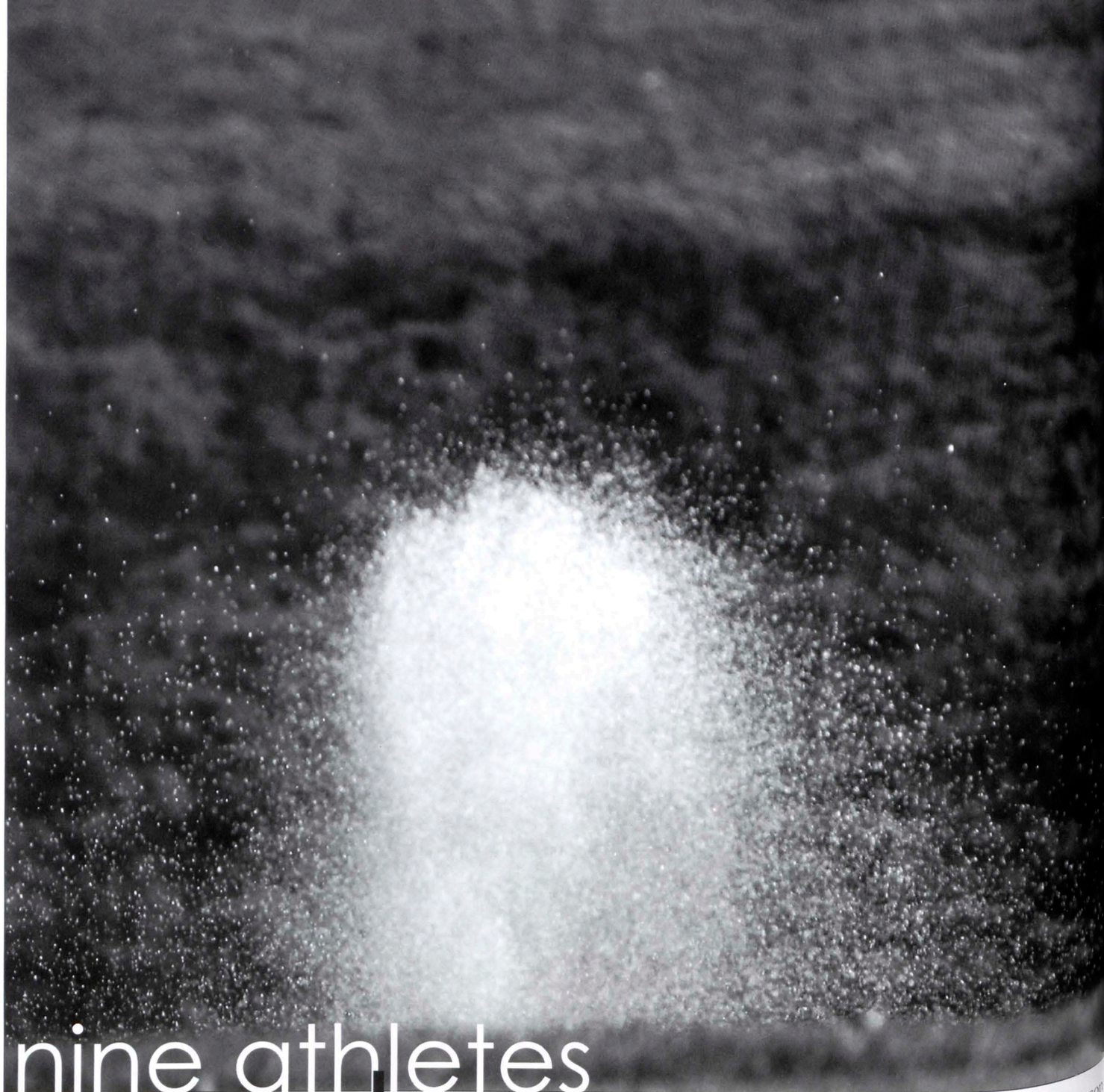
Senior Beau Glover practices his short game on a course. Glover posted the Hogs' second-best score at 17-over-par 227 to finish tied for 38th at the SEC Championships.

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tied 6th NCAA Regional

10th SEC Championships

tied 10th *U.S. Intercollegiate*



nine athletes one champ plenty of birdies 9th SEC finish 282 final round record LADY'BACK GOLF

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

The Lady'Backs began the season ranked No. 20 in a poll after a 10th place finish at the NCAA Championships last season and the graduation of four seniors. This year's team drew no seniors and the young team may have expected scores to be up and down. But with junior Stacy Lewis ranked as the No. 1 amateur in the country, it was sure to be a season of new heights in the national rankings.

The team had the chance to get a sneak peak of other SEC schools at the Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Classic. Arkansas finished fourth, the best of the year, and their team score of 894 was also a then-season best.



In fact, the 894 team total ranks tied for eighth all-time for lowest Lady'Back scores. Arkansas bettered that with an 886 in the very next outing at the Peg Barnard Invitational.

Lewis was the Lady'Backs' top finisher in all four fall events and tied for medalist honors at the Peg Barnard Invitational in October. The spring season of six regular events opened at the Central District Invitational where 15 teams scheduled to tee up with the 22nd-ranked Arkansas who finished better than several teams in the Central region.

On a tough qualifier day for the NCAA Golf Championships, windy conditions rattled the team in the end despite the higher than average scores. They finished ninth for the tournament, just five strokes out of the top eight who qualified for the championships.

"I told this team that we are a group of puppies and puppies have to grow," said Arkansas head coach Kelley Hester. "That's what we did today. We have to let this burn in us until next year and then turn it into positives on the golf course. We are so young and we can only get better. It's pretty amazing to have the type of day we did and still be so close."

Despite the team's hardships, Lewis blistered the course and qualified as an individual for the championships in Florida. After a week of focusing and preparing, the Woodlands, Texas native was ready to compete. Lewis posted a near record 66 in the final round winning the NCAA Women's Golf National Championship. She was the first Lady Razorback other than track or cross country to win an individual national title since the mid-80s.

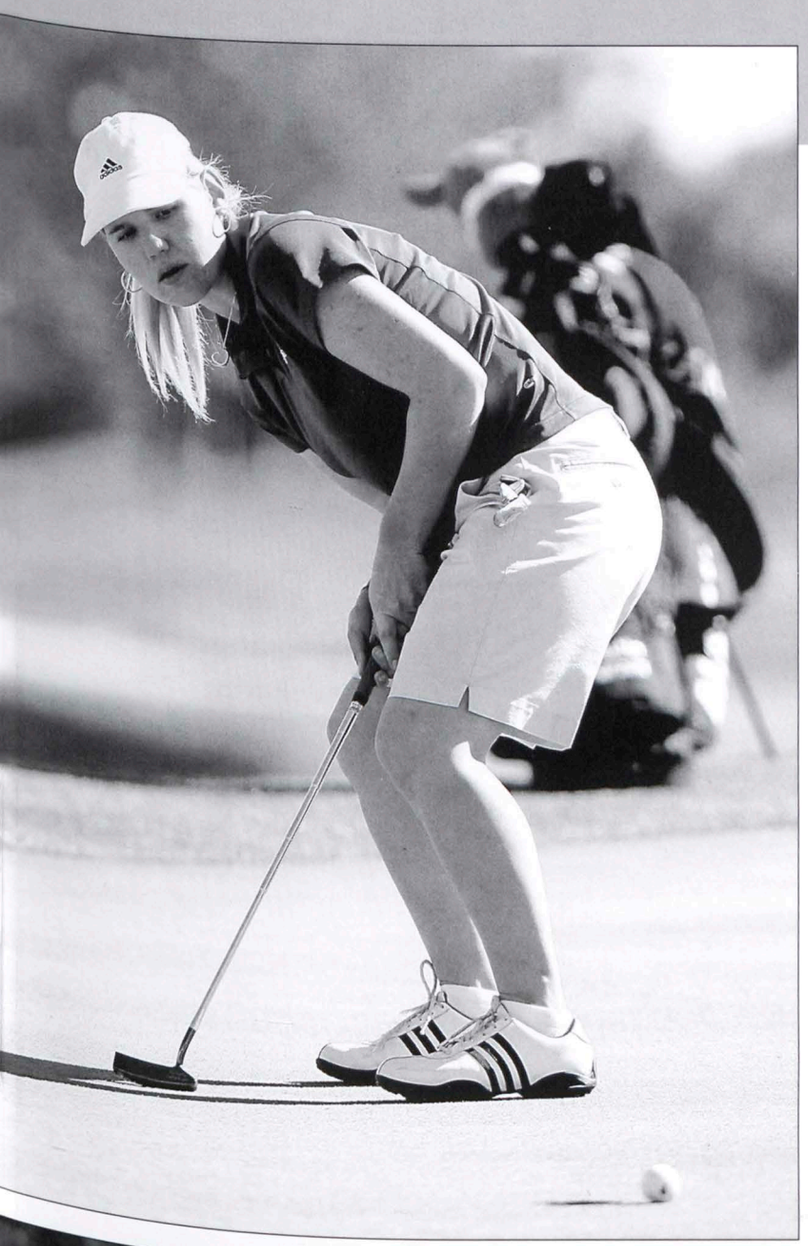
"Stacy made it look easy today," said Hester. "She hit her approach shots close to the hole and made her putts. She's a true champion."

SCOREBOARD

1st	NCAA Championship Individuals
9th	NCAA Regional Championship
9th	SEC Championship
2nd	Susie Maxwell Berning Classic
3rd	Liz Murphey Collegiate Classic
4th	Betsy Rawls Longhorn Invitational
10th	UCF Invitational
7th	Central District Invitational
10th	Peg Barnard Invitational
4th	Mercedes-Benz Collegiate
13th	NCAA Preview
12th	Mason Rudolph Championship

Previous page: Freshman Tanica van As chips at the NCAA Fall Preview. Arkansas finished 13th against one of the toughest fields outside the NCAA Championship. COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior Stacy Lewis watches her put closely at day one of the NCAA championships. Lewis posted a near record 66 in the final round winning the 2007 NCAA Women's Golf National Championship. COURTESY OF SIDELINE SPORTS



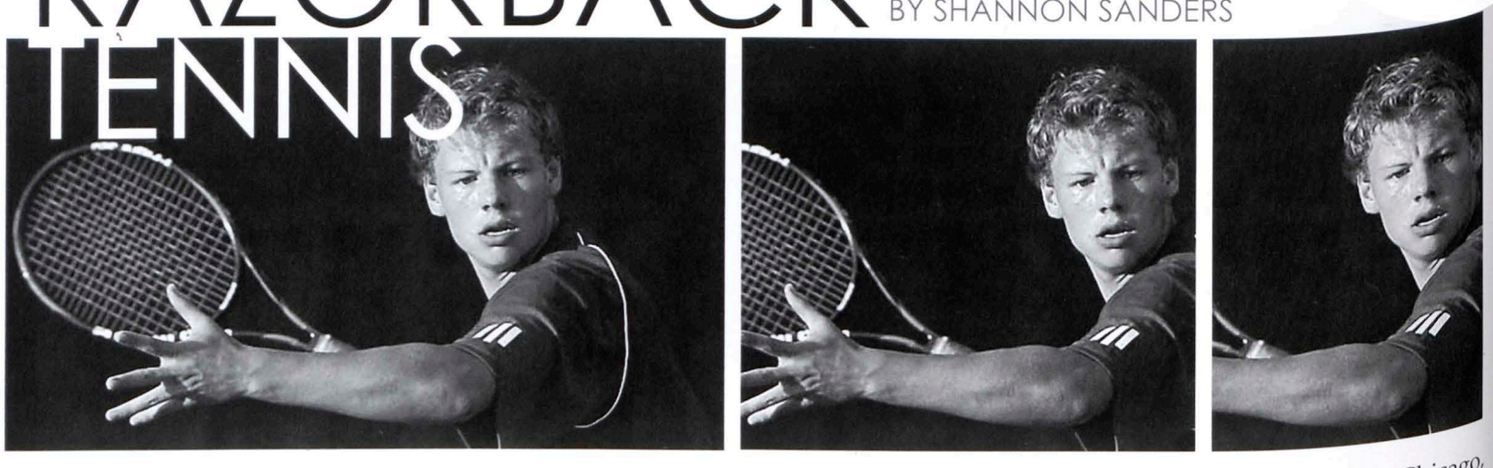
Freshman Kristin Ingram follows her putt at the Lady'Backs first UCF Invitational appearance. The team pulled a 10th-place finish against the tough field and Ingram finished with a final round in the 80s with a score of 238 for the challenge. COURTESY OF SIDELINE SPORTS



Junior Ashley Medders follows through at the NCAA Fall Preview in Daytona Beach, Fla. Medders tied for 40th overall with a 227 and the Lady'Backs finished 13th overall, ahead of powerhouses Purdue, Texas A&M, UNLV and California. COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

15 players one net countless serves 29 matches 193 games RAZORBACK TENNIS

BY SHANNON SANDERS



The Razorback tennis team played everywhere from California to Florida during their season, picking up experience and learning lessons every stop along the way.

The team had many young players, including seven freshmen who were getting their first tastes of college play this year, and also five sophomore players.

"It was a rebuilding year," sophomore Blake Strode said. "We had a lot of young talent that just needed to get a little more experience under their belts."

Having such a young team during the season could help build a strong foundation for the future as the team gains experience playing with their teammates.

"I think that everyone improved a lot over this year. I'm looking forward to next year and I hope that we will have a much stronger team," Strode said.

The Hogs only lost one senior after this year.

Strode, an International Relations and Spanish double major, had a very successful season. Strode was ranked number one on the team and finished with a 26-10 record overall for the season.

Strode also earned an invitation to the NCAA Singles Tennis Championship in Athens, Ga., based on his play through the season.

"I'm so proud of Blake," head coach Robert Cox said. "It's not a surprise that he has made it to the tournament."

The Razorbacks had a tough season in SEC play, coming out with 11 SEC losses overall. The season started with a series of matches on the road, including a win against Illinois State at Tulsa.

The team then went on to Chicago, losing to DePaul but securing a win over Chicago State. They came home, gaining victories over both Cowley County C.C. and Wichita State.

The season continued with a few crucial SEC losses, including Florida and Mississippi State.

The Razorbacks lost to Tennessee at Baton Rouge in the first round of the SEC Championships, bringing an end to an action-filled season that helped the Hogs prepare for future seasons.

Strode continued to the NCAA Singles Championships where he claimed his first post-season win against a Hawaii netter in the opening rounds. His aggressive performance at the championships gained him recognition by the College Sports Information Directors of America.


ARKANSAS
TENNIS

SCOREBOARD

7-22 overall

0-7 Georgia

3-4 Fresno-Pacific

7-0 Pacific

1-6 Fresno State

1-6 Tulsa

3-4 Oklahoma

5-2 Wichita State

5-0 Cowley County

7-0 Cowley County

6-0 Chicago State

1-6 DePaul

0-7 Northwestern

0-4 Tulsa

4-1 Illinois State

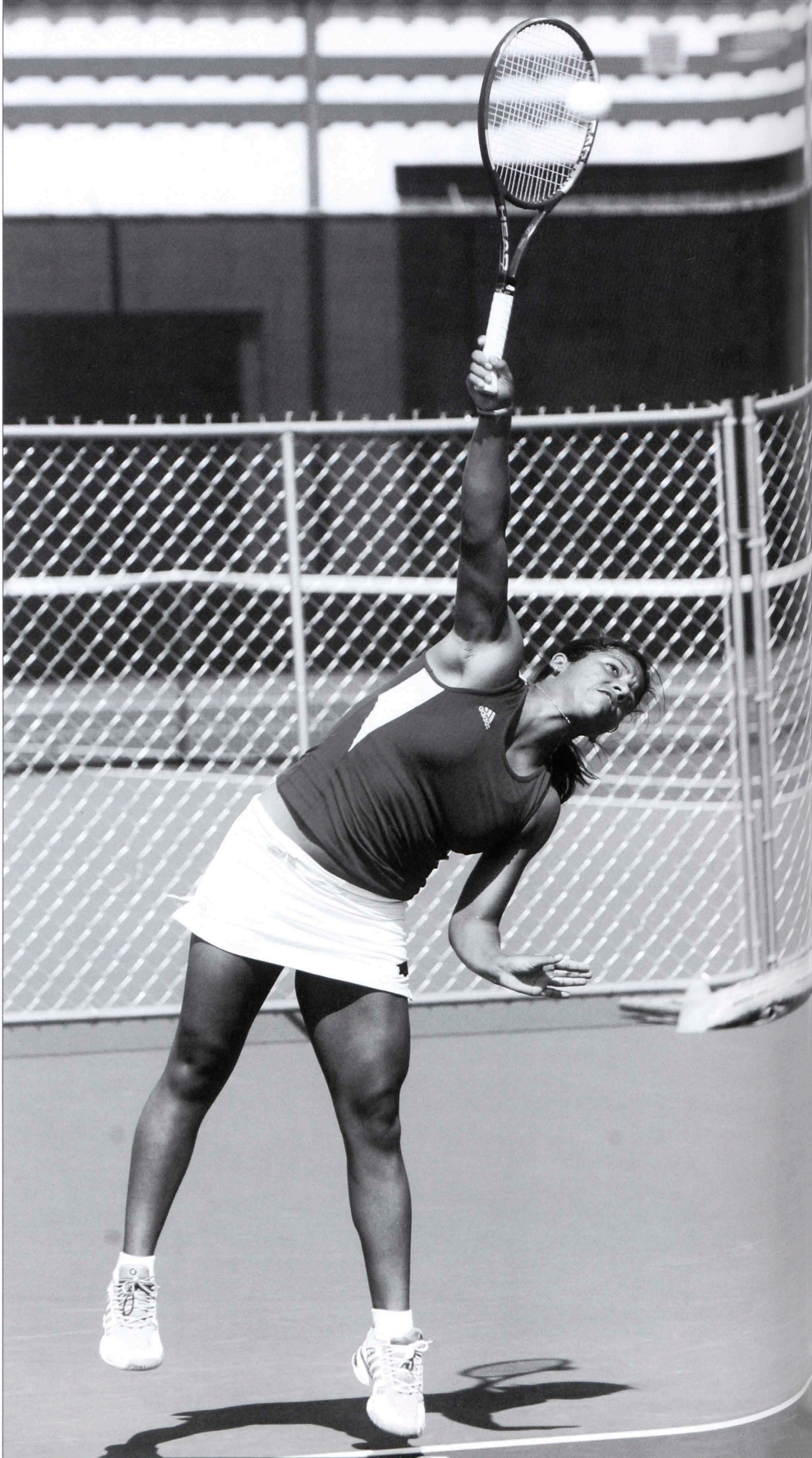
Previous Page: Freshman netter Dimitry Vlaskin competes in an outdoor tournament. Vlaskin opened his career as a Razorback with two wins at the Navy Invitational. PHOTOS COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

Blake Strode serves the ball against his opponent. Strode was ranked number one on the UA Tennis Team and also earned a seat at the 2007 NCAA Singles Championship after a very successful season.

1-4	Tennessee
2-5	LSU
1-6	Alabama
2-5	Auburn
0-7	Oklahoma State
1-6	Ole Miss
1-6	Mississippi State
3-4	South Carolina
1-6	Florida
5-2	New Mexico
3-4	UNLV
1-6	Kentucky
2-5	Vanderbilt
1-6	Texas
0-7	Tennessee

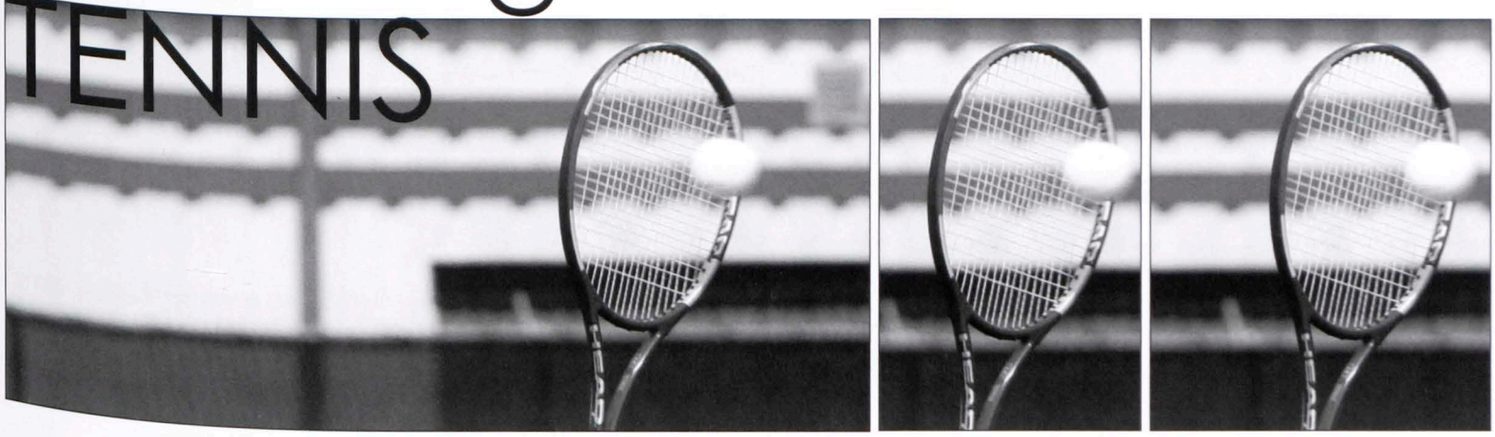
Above: Jorge Villanueva and Colin Mascall compete at an indoor tournament. The Hogs had a tough season, coming out with seven wins and 22 losses in the regular season.

Head coach Robert Cox addresses his team before a meet. The team consisted of 15 players, five of whom began their collegiate tennis careers as Razorbacks this season.



22 meets one court 78 feet long eight players several big wins TENNIS

BY MALLORY SMITH



Harsh winds and inclement weather blew through Fayetteville on April 14 forcing the Lady'Back tennis team to play in their final meet of the year indoors against LSU who was ranked No. 29 in the nation.

The final match of the day started off well for the Lady'Backs as sophomore Nanar Airapetian clenched the first set against LSU. After several disappointing sets that followed, Airapetian came back swinging - her racket. Feeding off her momentum from previous games, she bounced back to win the match.

Airapetian's win gave the Lady'backs the win over LSU, something the women's tennis program had not accomplished since the 2000 season, and propelled them to the SEC Tournament where they were seeded at number nine.

"The whole team earned the victory, but Nanar won the day," coach Michael Hegarty said.

Weather again affected the first round SEC Tournament as the Lady'Backs faced off against Auburn. Although the team gave a strong showing in singles matches, their performance was overshadowed by Auburn and the season came to an end in Lexington, Ky.

Even after the loss, the team remained optimistic for the future of Lady'Back tennis.

"It looked like a regional final, we played about our best and came up just a little short," Hegarty said. "We competed hard in such a big match. That's a big thing for our future."

And the future looked bright for the young team. All netters were able to return for at least one more season, and with several crucial wins under their belt, the team was primed for success in the following seasons.

"We have a very strong core group of returning players next year, and we can build on the finish we had this season," Hegarty said.

Following the regular season, Lady'Back sophomore, Ela Klauder was selected to play in the NCAA Women's Singles Tournament. After a thrilling season for Klauder that included a 10-match winning streak, she was ready to compete against the best in the nation.

"To qualify for this event takes a full season of consistency. Although she is just a sophomore, she is capable of beating almost any player in the field," Hegarty said.

SCOREBOARD

11-11 overall

1-6 Florida

4-3 Louisiana-Lafayette

1-4 Kentucky

0-7 Vanderbilt

2-5 Tennessee

1-6 Georgia

3-4 Brigham Young

5-2 Oklahoma

5-2 Kansas

7-0 St. Louis

7-0 Sam Houston State

6-1 Missouri

3-4 Tulsa

5-2 North Carolina State

Previous Page: Junior netter Maryori Franco serves the ball in a match. Overall, Franco was 12-10 on this season's matches. PHOTOS COURTESY OF SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior Audrey Bordeleau responds to her opponent with a forehand shot. For the season, Bordeleau was 10-11 in all matches played and 3-8 for the SEC.

1-4 Auburn

4-3 LSU

2-5 Alabama

2-5 Auburn

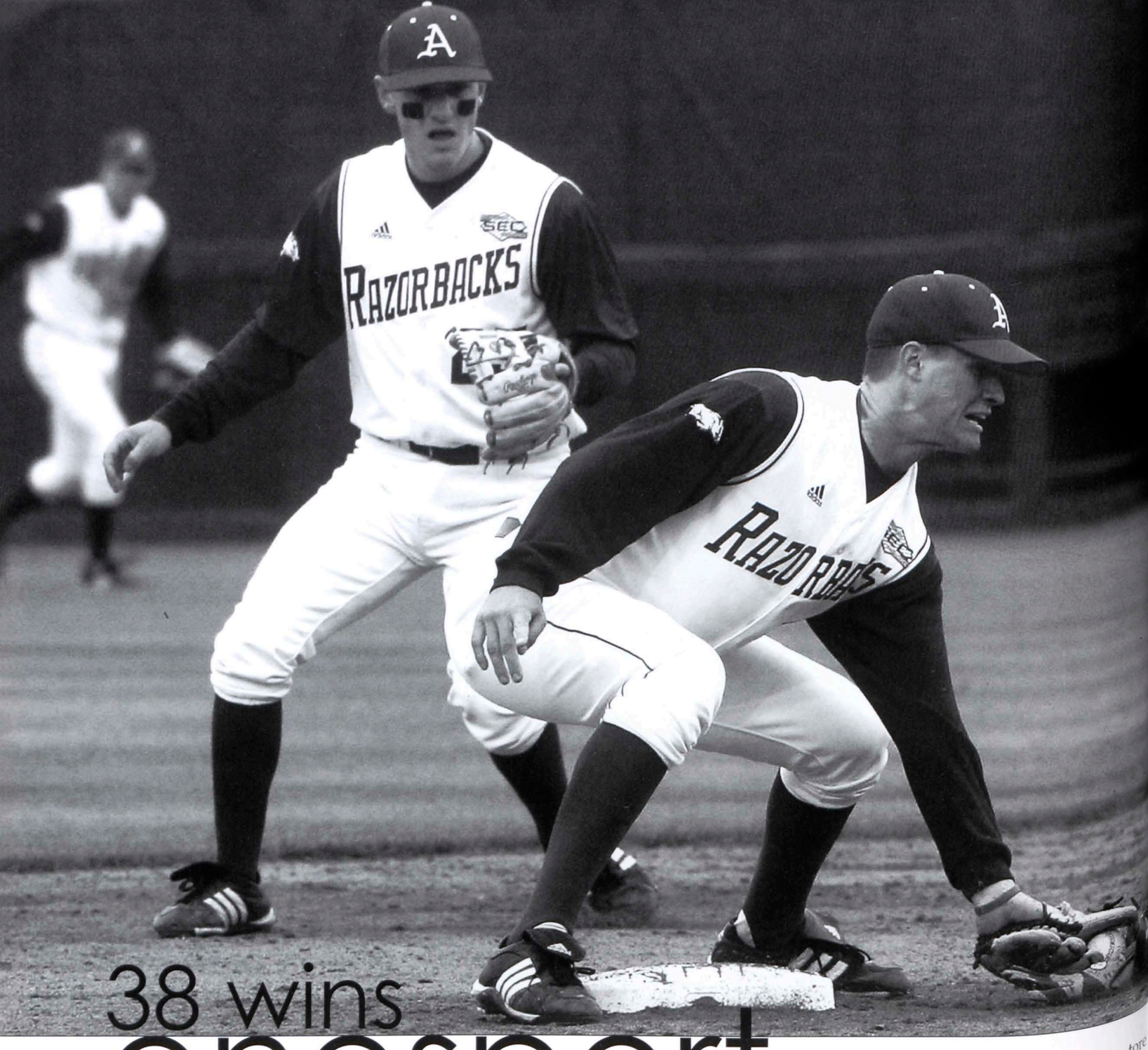
3-4 SMU

4-3 Mississippi State

0-7 South Carolina

Above: Franco and Nanar Airapetian compete for the Lady'Backs. The two netters represented the UA in the Women's College Tennis Invitational in New York. Both players together proved to be powerful, making it to the tournament semi-finals.

Aurelija Miseviciute prepares for an upcoming meet. Miseviciute won the majority of her matches for the Razorbacks.



38 wins one sport three bases 438 runs countless hits BASEBALL season

BY DAN CLARK

The Arkansas Diamond Hogs tore through the opposition in the regular season this year. The team was ranked No. 10 nationally with a 38-18 record and 18-12 in the Southeastern Conference.

The Hogs managed to win the SEC West title despite suffering some defeats by the Ole Miss Rebels in the last games of the regular season. The last time Arkansas won the SEC West title was in 2004, and it was their third time to ever receive it. The title was won when sophomore Wayne Hrozek hit a double in the 10th inning of their second game against Ole Miss, giving the Hogs a 4-3 win against



the Rebels. With the securing of the SEC West title, the Hogs were named the No. 2 seed in the SEC Tournament.

Senior Danny Hamblin also achieved some recognition for his performances on the field. He led the Hogs this season with 20 home runs, tying the second place school record, and Hamblin also led with the most home runs in the SEC with 14 total. Hamblin's 213 career RBI's are also ranked second of all time at Arkansas, just 20 short of Ryan Lundquist's career record.

Not all of the glory went to batters this year. Junior Nick Schmidt set a school record of strikeouts with 331 total. Schmidt also received nominations for two prestigious awards given to outstanding pitchers. He was named one of the 50 semi-finalists for the Golden Spikes Award, an award presented to the best amateur baseball player. Schmidt was also named one of the 10 semi-finalists for the Roger Clemens Award. The award was named after the professional pitcher Roger Clemens, honoring his excellent pitching career. This award was given to the best pitcher in the NCAA determined by a vote of all head coaches.

The players weren't the only ones to break records, though; the UA and Baum Stadium also broke some records this season. Arkansas was the first school in NCAA history to sell an average of over 8,000 tickets per game this season. The UA's record of 8,047 tickets beat LSU's previous record of 7,802 tickets sold in 2004. The UA also set a school record in number of people attending a game. On May 4th, 10,147 people watched UA face off against LSU.

With such a record-breaking season, the Diamond Hogs continued to prove that the UA was a nationally competitive university.

SCOREBOARD

43-21 overall

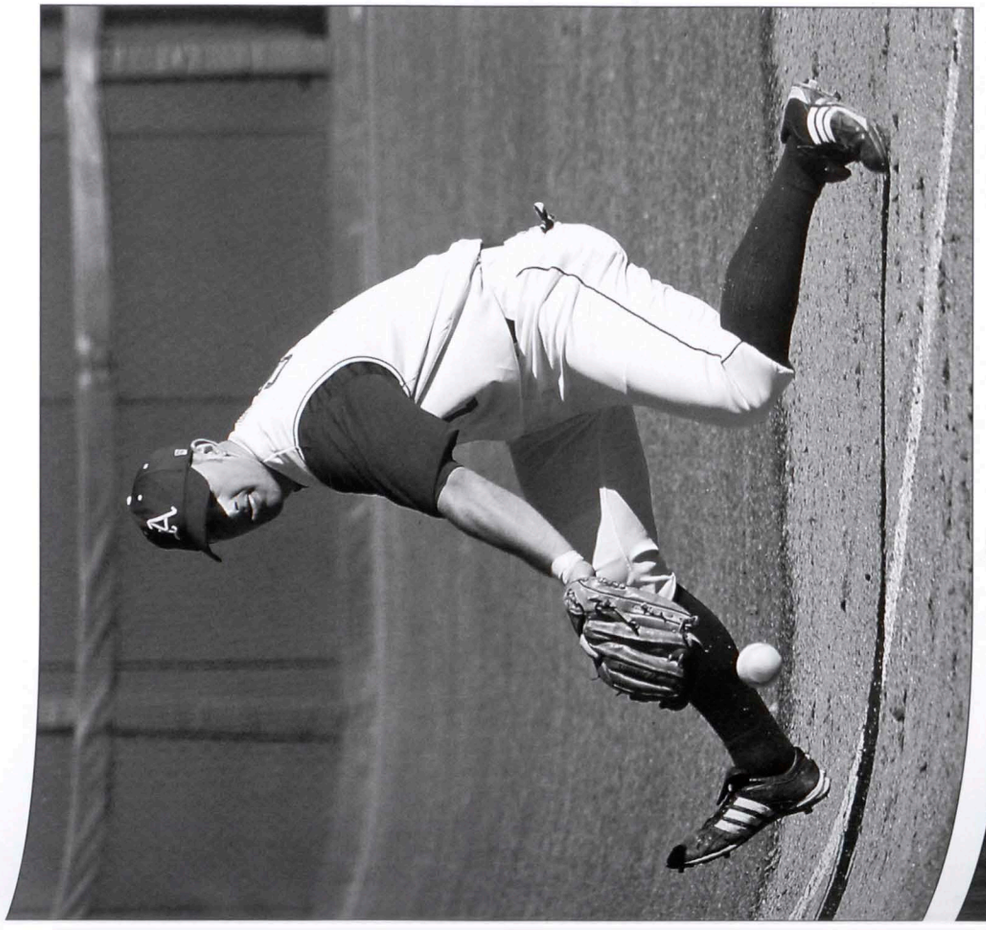
3-5	Oral Roberts	
8-7,3-6, 8-3	Vanderbilt	
16-14	Centenary	
10-2, 5-7 14-5	Kentucky	
10-2	Oral Roberts	
8-7, 4-0, 5-2	Kansas	
5-1, 5-10	Minnesota	
4-5	Ole Miss	
12-1, 10-12, 9-8	Illinois State	
8-3, 28-2, 8-1	Wisconsin-Milwaukee	
13-1, 8-13 16-2	Troy	
4-2, 2-9, 6-2	Louisiana Tech	

Right: Left-handed pitcher Nick Schmidt pitches in game one against Florida at Baum Stadium. Schmidt helped the Hogs to a shut-out victory over Alabama in the first round of the SEC Tournament.

Above: Danny Hamblin takes a base against Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Hamblin was an asset for the Diamond Hogs, driving in 22 runs for the year. PHOTOS BY CHRIS BRYAN

Previous Page: Razorback second baseman, tags a Florida Gator as he trys to steal second. The Razorbacks swept the home series against the Gators.

6-7	Oklahoma State
6-0	Creighton
3-14	Oklahoma State
9-0	Albany **NCAA Regional**
4-7	Vanderbilt
6-0, 3-2	South Carolina
6-0	Alabama **SEC Tournament**
4-5, 4-3, 0-5	Ole Miss
10-0, 12-5, 5-9	Alabama
5-6, 5-0, 3-5	LSU
12-1, 9-11, 8-1	Auburn
10-2	Wichita State
1-6, 7-6, 9-3	Georgia
16-2	Missouri State
7-1, 10-7	Florida
2-0	Missouri State
9-11, 1-2, 9-3	Mississippi State
14-6, 9-7	*Northern Colorado*
6-2, 4-3, 11-7	*Tennessee*



Arkansas infielder Casey Coon fields a ball against Milwaukee-Wisconsin. Coon played in 55 regular season games for the Hogs and was a team batting leader with an average of .305.



The Diamond Hogs meet on the field after a win. The team held an impressive regular season record of 39-18 and won 21 of their home games while only suffering eight losses at home.

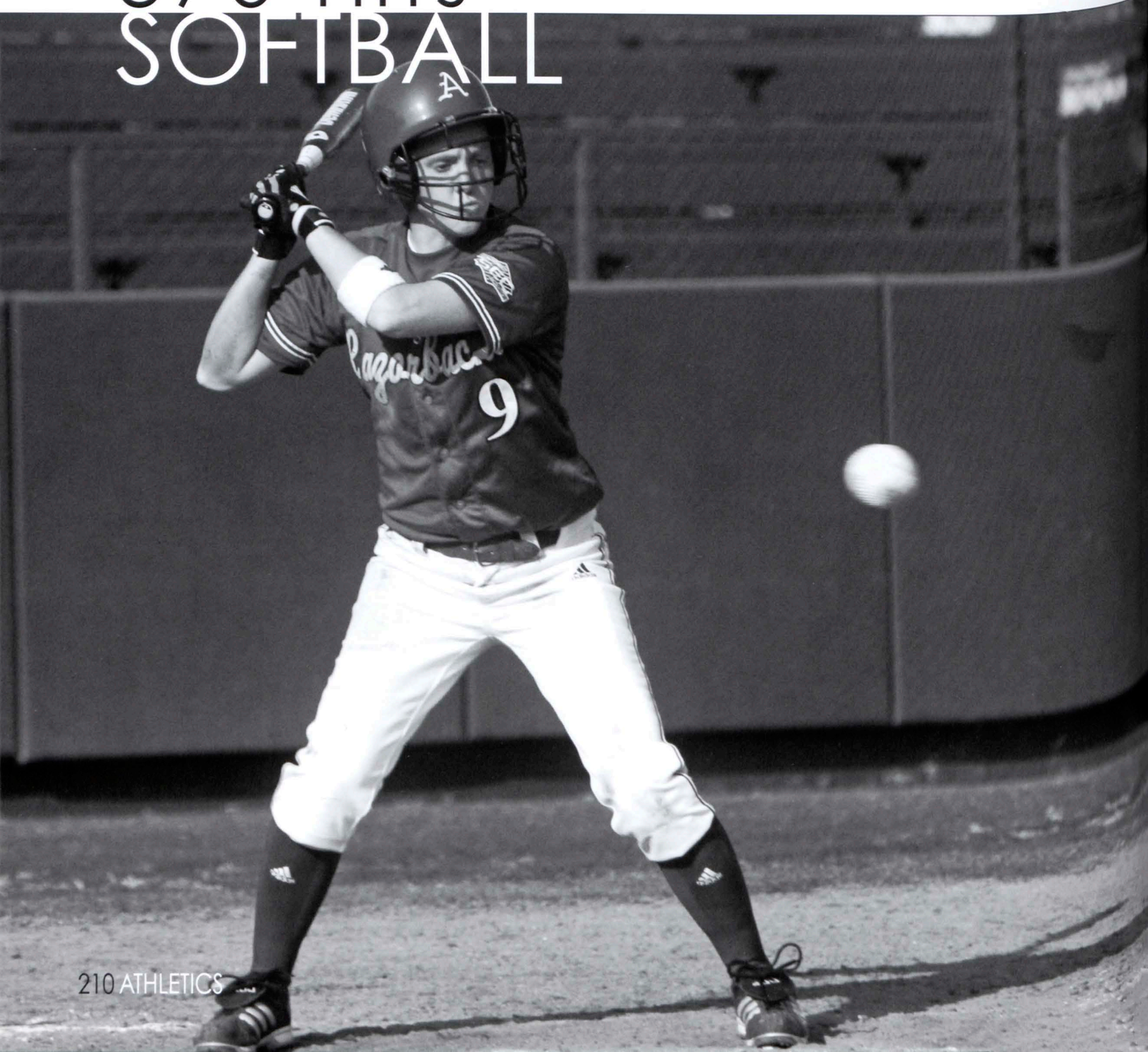
one senior
one field
a few strikes
523 total bases
370 hits
SOFTBALL

BY DAN CLARK

The Lady Razorbacks had to face a challenging season from the start. With injuries and a fairly young team, head coach Jamie Pinkerton did his best to pull the team through.

"I thought that we had the depth to overcome," Pinkerton said in a press conference. The Lady'Backs ended their season 21-43 and 6-22 in the SEC conference. "I'm not going to sit here and sugarcoat it, the expectations were higher," Pinkerton added.

One of the problems the team faced was that a lot of the players were relatively young. Sophomore Sandra Smith



was one of the players expected to carry most of the weight for the team, but Smith was injured on the first day of practice. According to Pinkerton, Smith's injury caused the team to go into a scramble as they tried to work around her injury, but the team never fully recovered.

"That's part of the game, it's not an excuse. That's when people have to rise to the occasion and step in," Pinkerton said. On a positive note, the injury allowed other players to get experience when they might not have otherwise, and a lot of the players improved throughout the year.

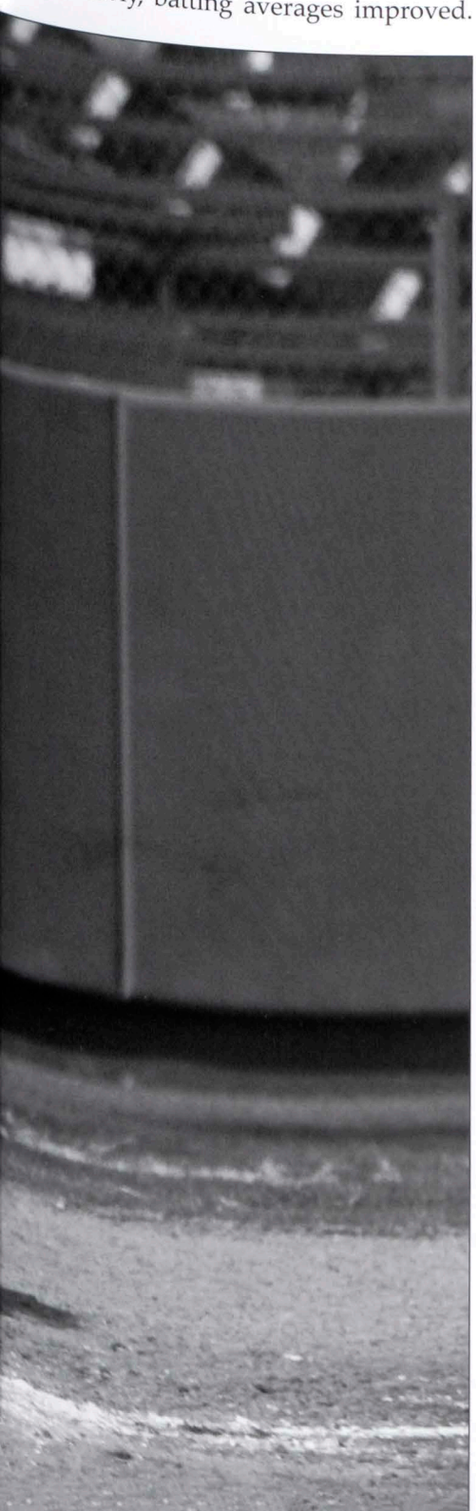
Notably, batting averages improved. Sophomore Whitney Cloer raised her batting average over 130 points and freshman Miranda Dixon's batting average was .263, impressive for her first year.

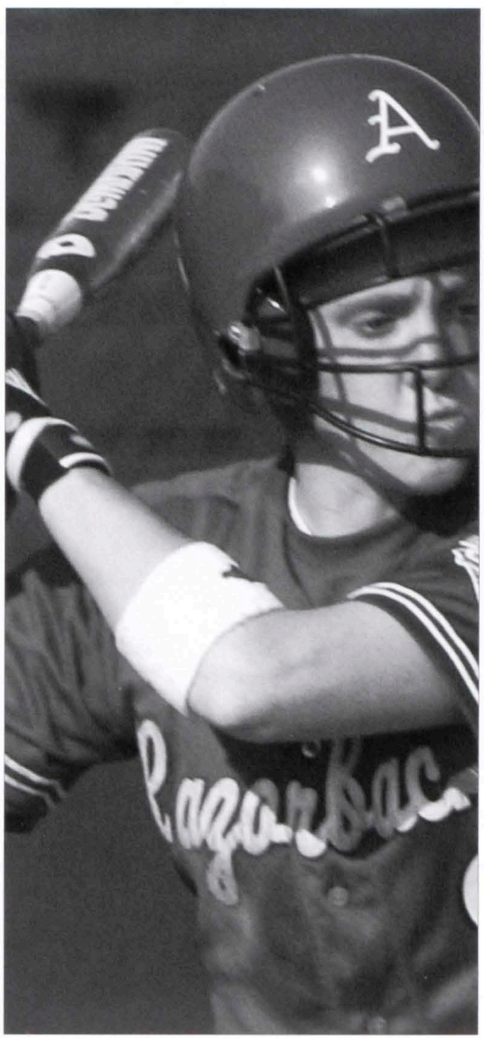
Two players even set some impressive records this season. Senior Rachel LeMaster now holds the career stolen base record with 75 stolen bases, the previous record being 72 held by Dana Gulick. Junior Dayna Huckabee also set the career home run record with 13 home runs, the previous record was 12 held by Jen Cirigliano.

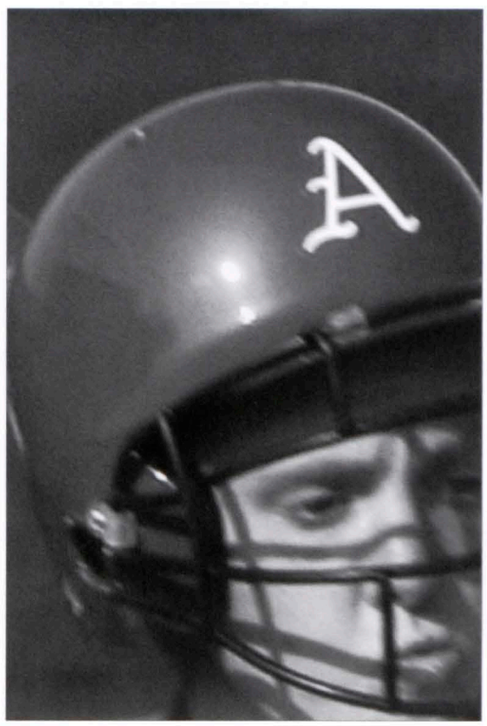
In the press conference, Pinkerton said to look forward to next year. One improvement to look forward to next season is that junior Katy Henry will be receiving a better pitching support staff with three new pitchers coming in. The team will welcome eight newcomers and with a more even balance between upper and lower classmen, the team won't be lacking in any players with leadership qualities.

Pinkerton did say that they need to improve defensively but that the team's progress is going in the right direction.

"We got the foundation to expect a lot of good things out of this bunch next year," Pinkerton said.







SCOREBOARD

21-43 overall

1-0,0-3, 9-1,1-4, 6-5,8-5	Holiday Inn Express-Arkansas Inviational	
0-14, 2-10	Oklahoma	
7-0,1-3, 3-6,1-6, 11-12	Clarion Inn-Lady'Back Invitational	
8-0,1-4, 7-0,0-11, 8-6	Texas A&M Aggie Classic	
1-2,6-5, 0-1, 1-2, 1-4	USF-Best Western Tournament	
4-2,16-1, 2-0	Arkansas Fall Invitational	
3-1,13-0, 21-0	Lady'Back Fall Festival	
7-2,4-0, 8-0	Arkansas Fall Festival	

Previous page: Freshman Brittany Robison makes the first hit of the game in the third inning against South Carolina. Robison was a major offensive threat with two hits, one of which was a double for the Lady'Backs. PHOTOS BY VANCE GREEN

Senior Rachel LeMaster reaches second base in the third inning against South Carolina at the Lady'Back yard. The Gamecocks completed the three-game sweep of SEC play.

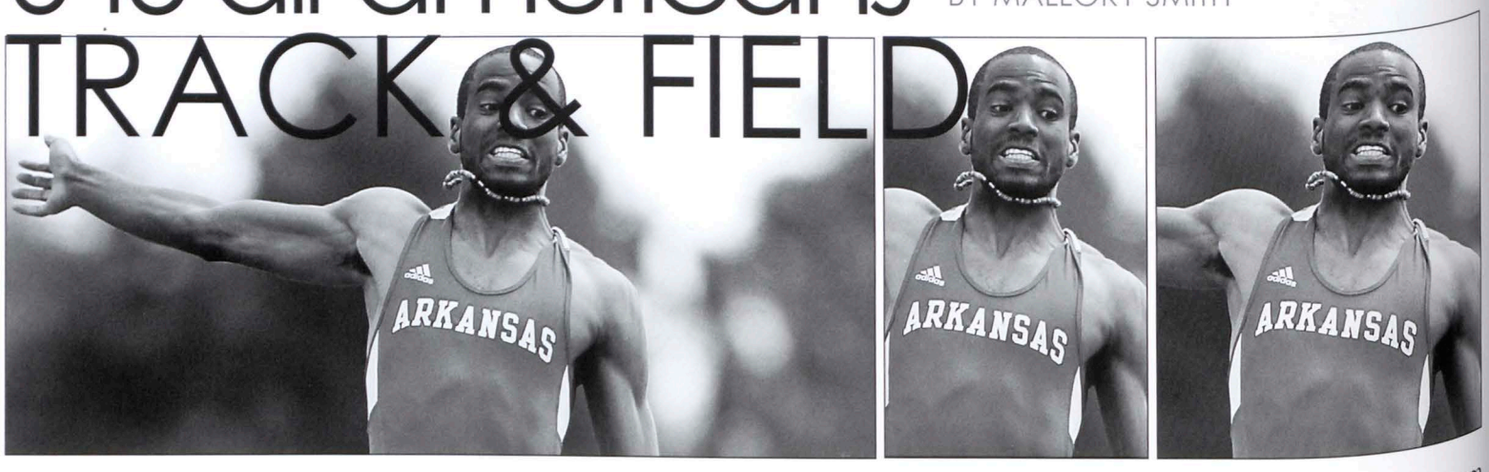
1-3,11-8, 0-8	Mississippi State
0-5,2-7, 3-5	Georgia
0-5,0-7, 1-3	LSU
1-0,5-4	Louisiana Tech
7-0,0-1, 4-7	Mississippi
0-4,0-5, 1-0	Florida
2-4,6-1	Kansas
14-8,5-2 2-0	Kentucky
0-5,2-3	Auburn
0-4,0-1, 0-5	Tennessee
0-9,2-5	Alabama
2-6,0-10, 0-5,2-1, 5-6,5-4	Big Red Tournament
0-7	Western Illinois
0-1	South Carolina
7-3	North Texas

Freshman Teighynne Hulsey winds up for a pitch against the Gamecocks. Hulsey relieved freshman pitcher Miranda Dixon in the second inning allowing one unearned run and striking out a career-high eight batters.

Freshman Jessica Bachkora shuts out the Wildcat offense as the team hosted Kentucky. Though the Lady 'Backs were struggling in SEC play, the team pulled together to win the three-game series to get back in the race.

5 triple crowns onerace a few personal bests 42 national titles 645 all-americans TRACK & FIELD

BY MALLORY SMITH



The Razorback track and field team claimed the most national titles in sports history. With 19 indoor and 11 outdoor NCAA championships, and 33 consecutive conference championships spanning cross country and track, the Hogs were hungry for another, leaving other big-name teams in their wake.

The team welcomed back 17 letter-winners and four seniors from the previous season. And what looked to be a fairly young team was led by a core group of seniors and seasoned juniors.

Opening the season with five NCAA marks at the Arkansas Invitational was a good start for the team.

"We had five provisional qualifiers and that's not bad for the first meet," head coach John McDonnell said.

The start of the season saw the Razorbacks ranked second by The Trackwire, which projects a score for the NCAA championships. After a stellar opening performance, the Hogs found themselves sitting in the No. 1 position.

However, after several tumultuous meets, the Razorbacks fell from their position at the top, and slid all the way to No. 12.

Even after an rocky season, the Hogs managed to once again claim the SEC indoor championship, their 81st overall.

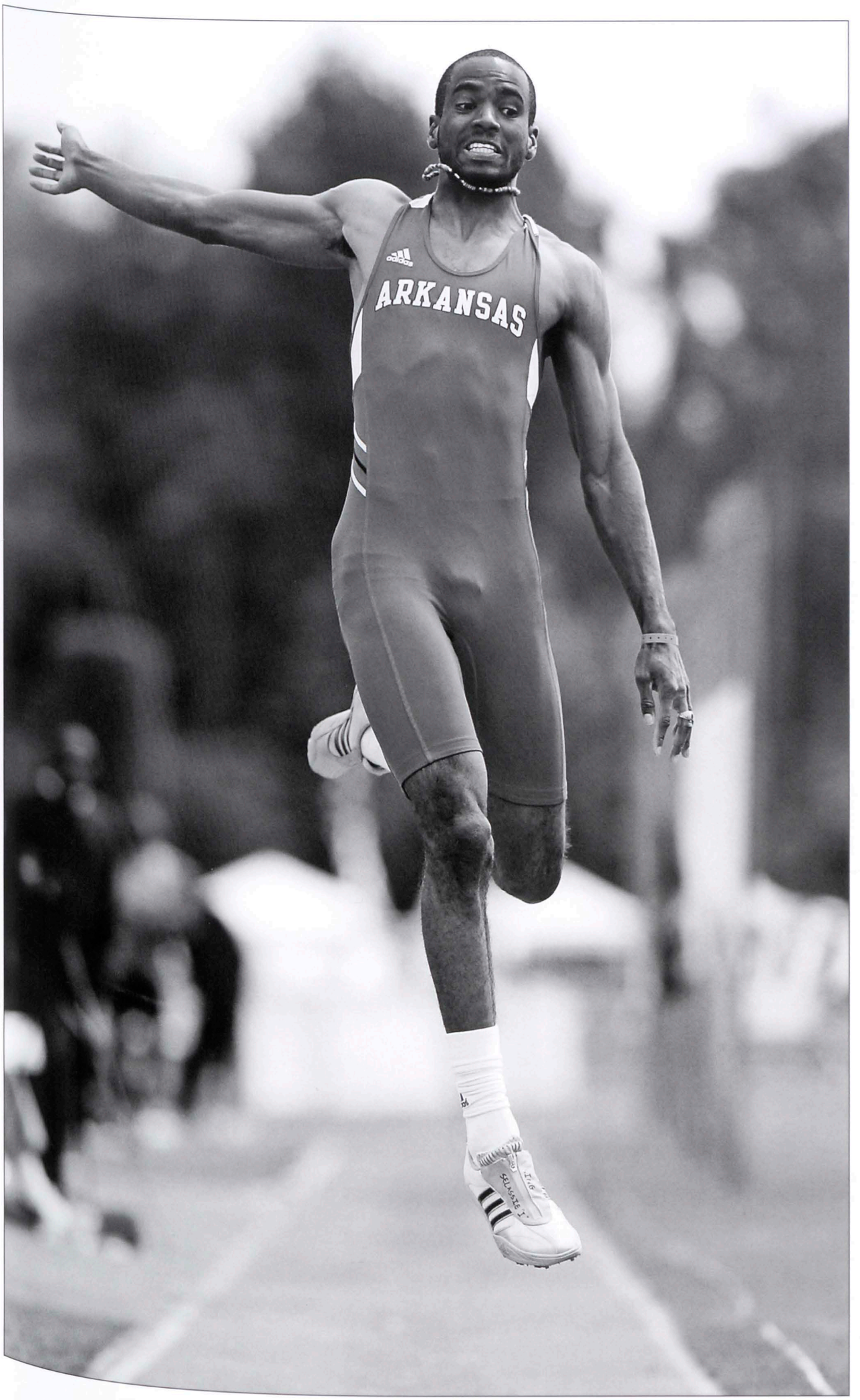
"This is a really special win because we have really been up and down this season," McDonnell said. "This was a great time to put it together. We had the talent and we put it together this weekend."

The title was claimed by the Razorbacks even though the team only registered one 10-point first place finish. With the outdoor season still ahead, the team was rested and ready, but was hit with a series of bad luck including inclement weather, falls and fouls.

Just a week before the SEC outdoor championship, the team gave a poor showing at the Arkansas Twilight meet. However, the following week the team gave a solid performance, claiming third place, just behind Tennessee and LSU.

"Our guys did a great job," McDonnell said. "We didn't have enough manpower here to handle it. I can't say anything about the way they competed today. They worked all the way through."

The season came to a disappointing end as the Razorbacks claimed their lowest NCAA team finish since the 1940s and were shut out of a team title in cross country, indoor and outdoor track.

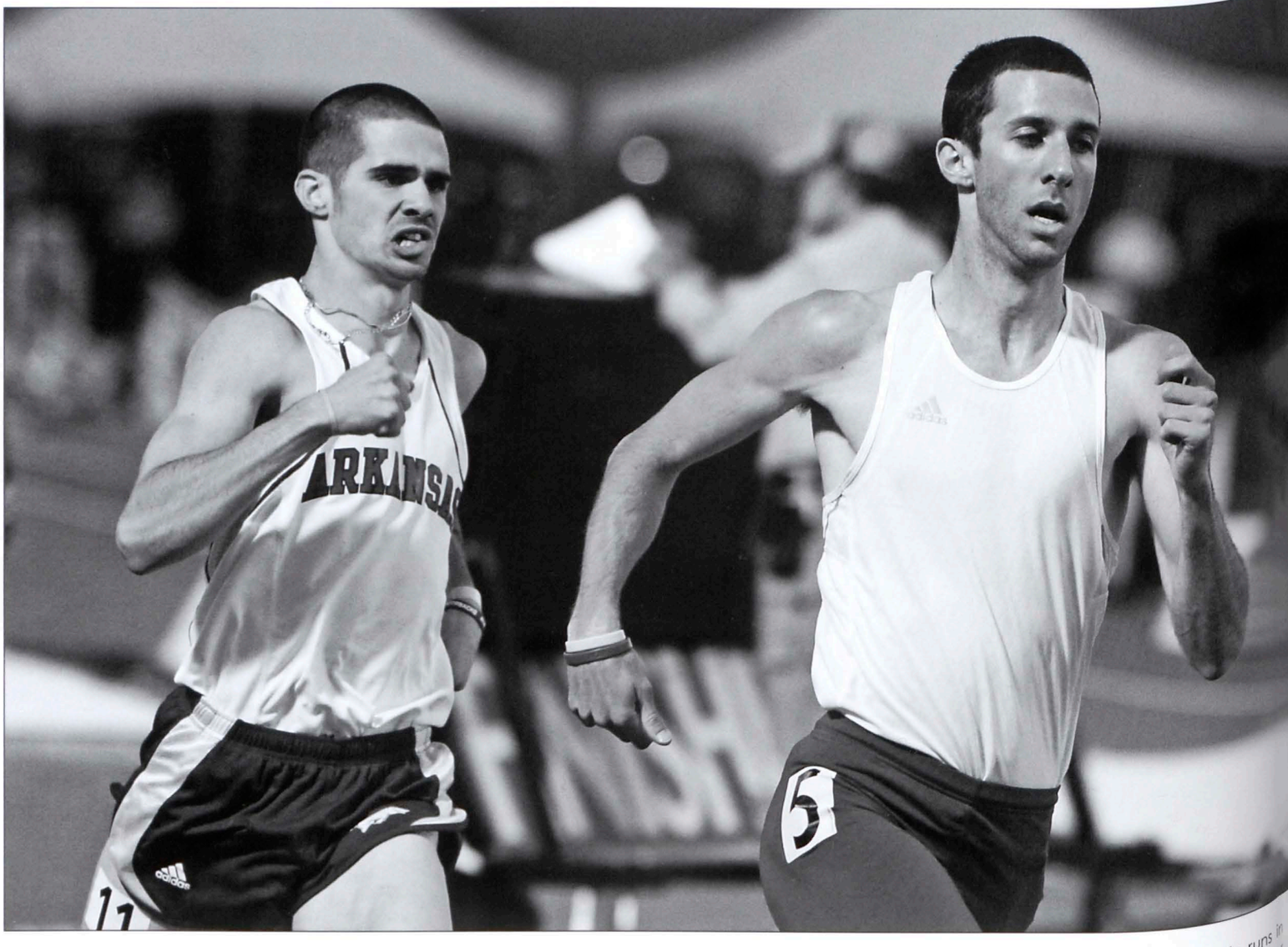

ARKANSAS

SCOREBOARD

3 of 10 SEC Outdoor Championships

7 of 66 NCAA Indoor Championships

1 of 10 SEC Indoor Championships

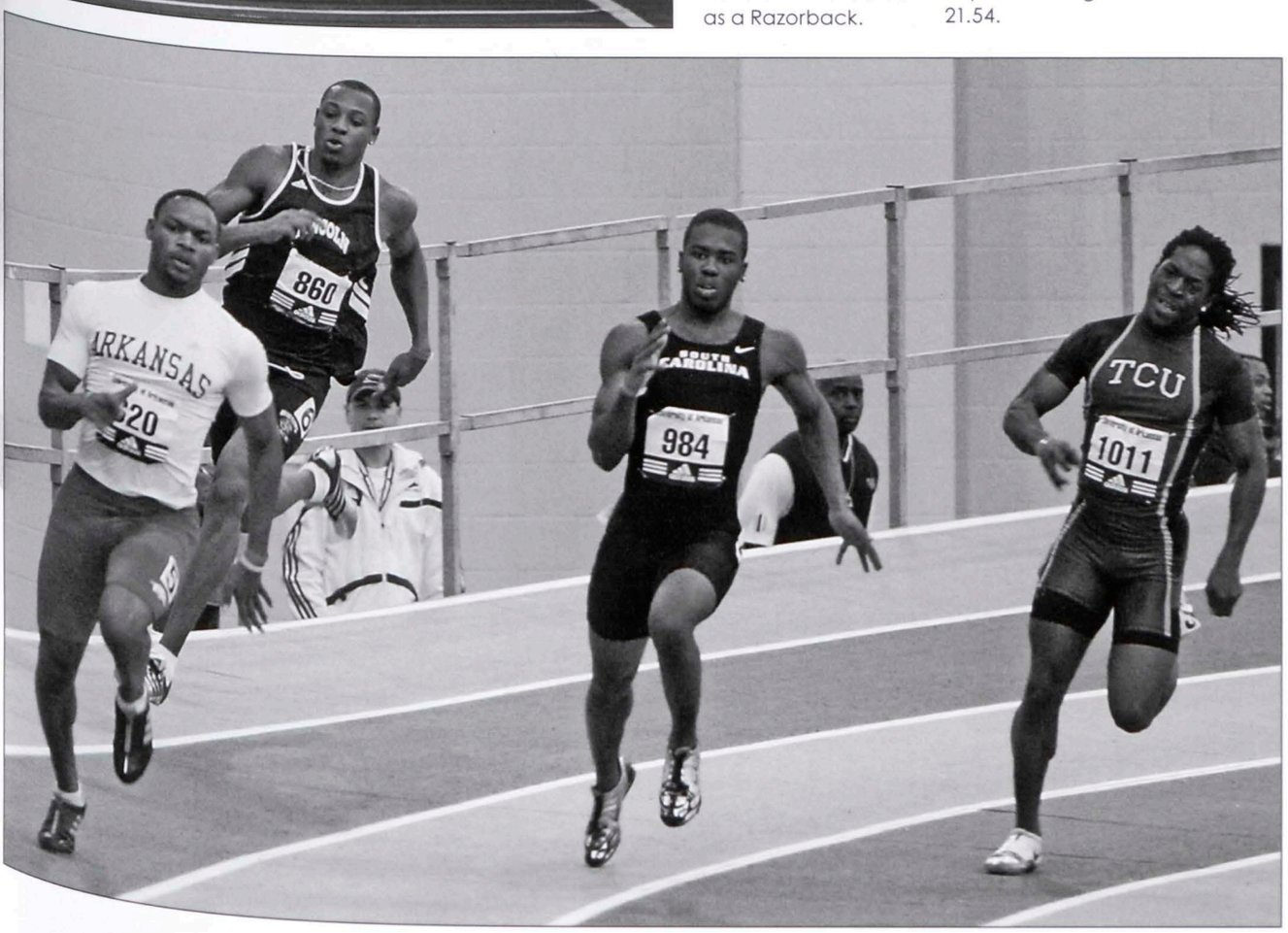


Previous Page: Arkansas freshman Alain Bailey competes in the triple jump. Bailey competed in triple jump, long jump and high jump, and his mark of 25-6.75 was the leading NCAA freshman long jump. COURTESY PHOTO

Micky Cobrin runs in the men's 800-Meter run at the John McDonnell Invitational. He placed 9th with a time of 1:53.85. Cobrin made his Razorback debut as a member of the distance medley relay team. PHOTOS BY CHRIS BRYAN



Sophomore Daniel Quinn participates in the triple jump. He finished in 6th in the event with a jump of 14.96 meters. Quinn missed qualifying for the championships but earned four SEC honors in his career as a Razorback.



Clemore Henry runs in the men's 200-meter dash at the Tyson Invitational. Henry won his heat with a time of 21.60. Henry bettered his time at the SEC championships, clocking in at 21.54.



15 events one meet countless meters 37 competitors some broken records TRACK&FIELD

BY MALLORY SMITH

All eyes were on Lady'Back track as they entered the 2007 season. Word spread that the Arkansas 4x400-meter relay team was one of the best in the nation, with all legs of the race returning for another season.

After a stunning performance in the 4x400 at the 2006 NCAA Outdoor Championships where the team ran the race in 3:28.27, all runners were anxious to return to the track to prove themselves as the best team in the nation. And that was what they did.

The quartet of Sasha Rolle, Jessica Cousins, Paige Farrell and Tominique



Boatright ended the first meet of the season, the Arkansas Invitational, claiming NCAA marks. Even though half the team was under the weather, they still ran stride-for-stride with Texas A&M, the 2006 All-American squad, finishing slightly behind them.

This early performance by the relay team set the pace for the rest of the season as Lady'Back track and field team gave solid performances, and set records along the way.

The week following the Arkansas Invitational, the Lady'Backs gave a strong team performance and received seven NCAA provisional qualifier honors at the Razorback Invitational.

At the New Balance Invitational in New York, a school record was broken when sophomore Christine Kalmer ran the 3,000-meter run in 9:10.62, passing the previous record of 9:11.21.

"We have had some unbelievable distance runners [at the UA] and for her to run faster than all of them is really saying something," head coach Lance Harter said.

Kalmer's record was just one of many that were broken this season. At the SEC Championships, Cousins broke her teammate Boatright's record in the 400-meter race by only four-tenths of a second. The next day, the record was broken again by two-tenths of a second, setting the new university record at 52.60.

A Bahamian national record was also broken by hurdler Tiavannia Thompson. Her time was 13.26, shattering the national record by more than two-tenths of a second. This season, junior Dacia Barr also claimed the fastest collegiate time in the 1,500-meter run, finishing with a time of 4:15.00.

With a record breaking season, Lady'Back track was on pace for success.

SCOREBOARD

15th NCAA Outdoor Championships

3rd SEC Outdoor Championships

21st NCAA Indoor Championships

4th SEC Indoor Championships

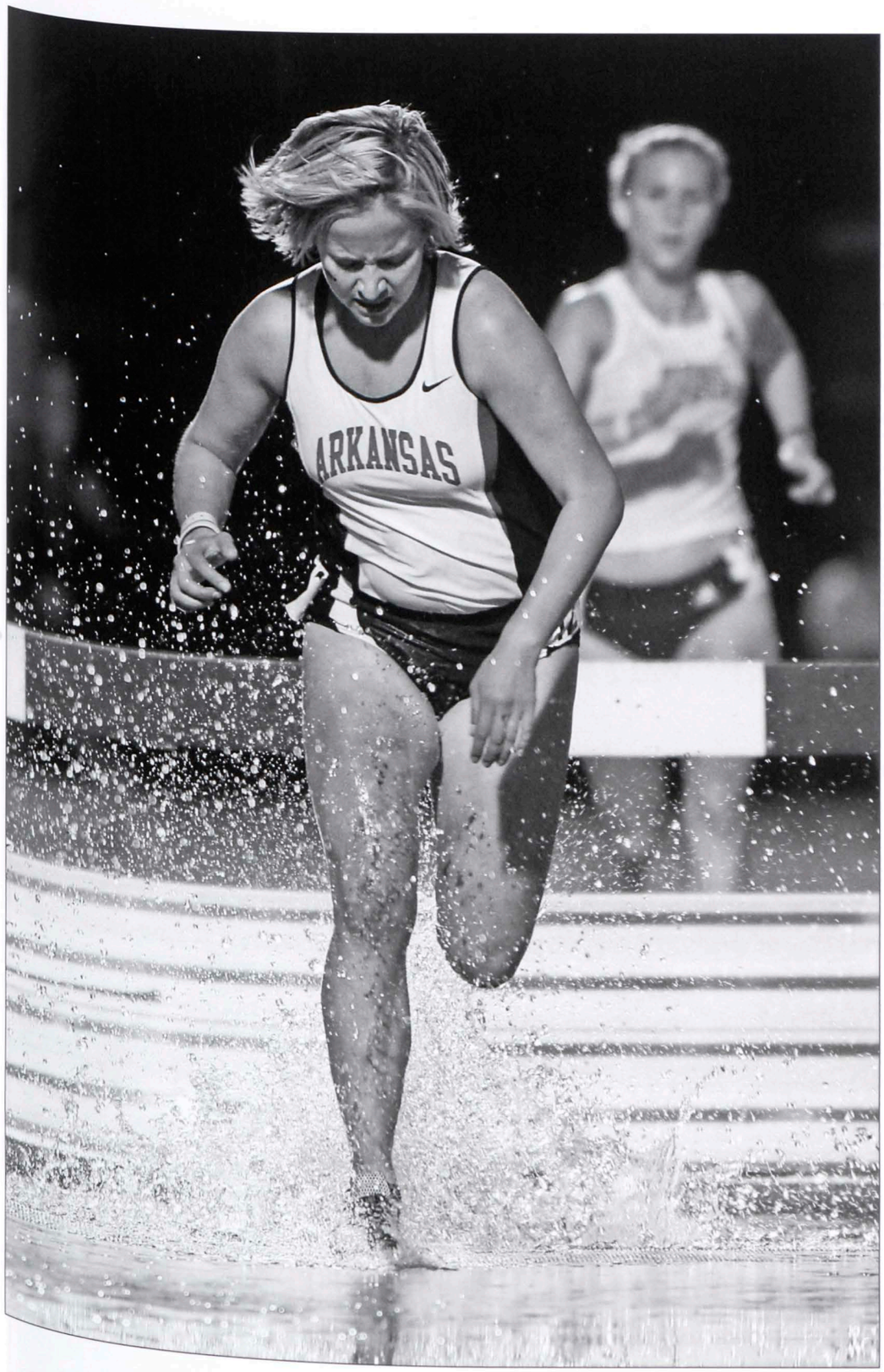


The Lady'Backs hang with the pack at the Fayetteville Invitational, Sept. 8. The Lady'Backs gave a solid performance against some of the top teams in the nation. PHOTO BY CHRIS BRYAN

Previous page: Members of the untouchable 4x400-meter relay team hand off the baton as they pass by the competition at the Texas Relays where the relay team won the event. PHOTO BY ERROL ANDERSON



Pole Vaulter Katie Stripling completes a jump. As a redshirt freshman, Stripling made the cut for the NCAA Championships with her career-high jump of 13-1. PHOTO COURTESY OF LADY'BACK COMMUNICATIONS



Lady'Back distance runner Erin Gray competes in the 3,000-meter steeplechase event at the John McDonnell Invitational. Gray finished 12th in the event with a time of 12:22.41. PHOTO BY CHRIS BRYAN



5 decades one man 43 national championships 47 SEC titles Arkansas legend FRANK BROYLES

BY MEGAN GARNER

After five decades devoted to serving the UA, Athletic Director Frank Broyles announced his plans to end the Broyles era and retire at the end of the year.

In a UA Board of Trustees meeting Saturday, Feb. 17, Broyles said he would continue until Dec. 31, at which point he would step down and let his successor take the reins.

"For nearly 50 years, I have considered it a privilege to serve this university as a coach and an athletic administrator," Broyles said in the meeting. "It is the only job I ever desired to have."

There was speculation that Broyles was under pressure from the trustees to retire partially because of his recent handling of the athletic department, according to a story in the *Arkansas Traveler*. But during the announcement, Chancellor John White made it clear the decision was entirely up to Broyles.

"The only person who can fire Frank Broyles is the chancellor," White said. "I would not have fired Frank Broyles today if he had not decided to come in today to announce his retirement. It would not have happened."

In celebration of his 50 years of service, the Union ballroom was packed with balloons, signs, friends, family, coaches and players, all of whom immediately gave Broyles a standing ovation the moment he walked in the door. Other distinguished guests included Jerry Jones, owner of the Dallas Cowboys and one of Broyles' former players.

"Let's please understand what an asset, what a rare asset we have here in Frank Broyles," Jones said.

One person who was well aware of the asset he had in Frank Broyles was head football coach Houston Nutt. After years of depending on Broyles for leadership and advice, Nutt was sad to see him go.

"I would love for him to stay longer, but he has to do what he thinks is best," Nutt said. "I think him and the family thought this was the time. So he had to make that decision, but personally I wish he would have stayed a little longer."

However, Nutt said he was going to make the best use of the little time he had left with Broyles, before his resignation went into effect in December.

"I'm glad he's going through our football season," Nutt said. "I'm glad he's still going to be around. We're still going to rely on him a lot. He's been such a tremendous person besides an athletic director, he's just a guy you can go to, and talk to."

But even after he steps down from his post as athletic director, Broyles will never be too far away from the UA and his beloved Razorbacks. White asked Broyles to continue his service by working with university fundraising after his retirement.

"Coach Broyles can be an invaluable resource in the development program for academics and athletics," White said. "And we look forward to continuing to benefit from his expertise."

Members of the Northwest Quad Hall Senate assemble their Homecoming parade float.
Bottom: Two didgeridoo players perform at Omni UA's peace concert. PHOTOS BY STACY RYBURN AND JESSICA LEMASTER



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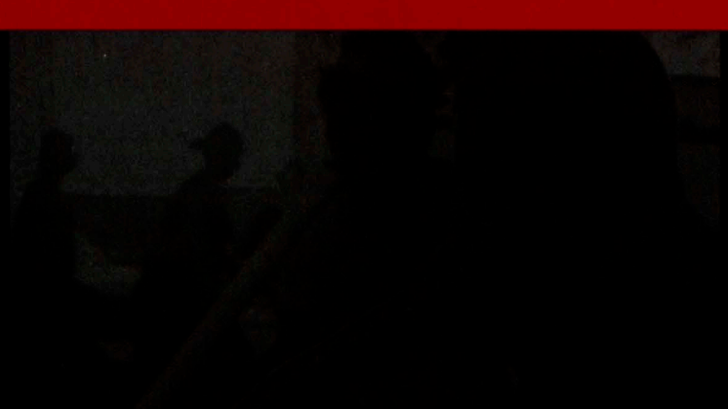




After classes were over and studying was done, students devoted their time to registered student organizations. These groups provided opportunities to meet new people, explore common interests and become a part of something that would give back to the university.

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Jim Holt, Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor, chats with sophomore Rachael Davis at a watch party on election night. College Republicans gathered at watch parties across Fayetteville to watch as the votes were tallied Tuesday, Nov. 7. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS

College Republicans

CHANGING *hands*

College Republicans campaign to stay on top during nationwide elections

Election night on November 7 was a night of lost votes, a lost conservative majority and for some UA College Republicans, lost bets.

"I...lost $20 when I bet that the Republicans would keep control of the house," said senior Cody Kees, a College Republican member.

This year the College Republicans worked around the clock to rally support for their party's gubernatorial candidate, Asa Hutchinson. Phone banking and getting students registered to vote were among the tasks at hand, along with putting up signs around campus reminding everyone to get out on election day.

Will Alexander, an active College Republicans member and creator of the UA chapter of the College Republicans Facebook group, took a motivational role in the Republican agenda for the year. He, along with the RSO's president Daniel Ketcher, kept up with the goal of doing whatever possible to ensure votes for the party.

Republicans from Arkansas received a huge surge of energy when President Bush paid a visit to the Northwest Arkansas Regional Airport, stumping for his former undersecretary of Homeland Security. Kees attended the rally along with a few students that helped prepare for the event to renew encouragement for his party's cause.

"The President's rally sent a bolt of momentum that I thought could really encourage the crowd to make a final push to the polls," Kees said. "It certainly showed he cared about the future of this state enough to make a stop for Asa."

But despite their best efforts, Americans voiced their desire for change. The Democrats gained 30 seats in the House, making Nancy Pelosi of California the first female Speaker of the House in history. They eventually went on to take control of the Senate by the slimmest of margins, and Mike Beebe, Asa's opponent for Governor, won by a 51 to 44 percent majority.

"I was somewhat upset, but I felt that the Republicans got what they deserved," Alexander said. "I feel that the Republican party, over the past couple of years, has in many cases moved too far to the center and ignored the conservative base."

Although the Republicans ended up suffering a blow, Alexander promised that the UA College Republicans will continue to uphold their values and that their goals had not changed.

BY STACY RYBURN

Advertising Club



First row L to R: Ellen Yehl, Courtney Campbell, Kelsey Stroud, Stephanie Ayoob, Erika Dow

African Student Organization



First row L to R: David Traore, Lensa Odima, Temitola Okunoren, Marzouck Coles, Onyebuchi Odunukwe, Mohamed Boudhoum

Alpha Epsilon Delta



First row L to R: Lacy Fincannon, Britton Blough, Sydney Cronin, Rachael Namburi; Second row: Dhaval Sham, Daniel Shepard, Aimee Jones

Alpha Phi Mu



First row L to R: Meredith Griffin, Kim Nguyen, Stephanie Garman; Second row: Seth Borin, Kelly Sullivan, Jason Stout, Kevin Oden, Roger Snelgrove, Josh Liu

Associated Student Government



First row L to R: Lesee Mayors, Tammy Lippert, Hannah Roe, Christine Grosso, Virginia Hock, Danielle Daugherty, Mattie Bookout; Second row: Dick Watkins, Brent Johnson, Luke Holland, Kent Miller, Melissa Tuttle, Kathryn Cottrell, Sarah Sparkman, Megan Bright, Nate Looney, Jeremy Austin, Quinten Whiteside; Third row: Dayna Wolek, Baxter Drennon, Blake Pennington, Will Morrow, Nathan Watkins, Will Hoofman, Nathan Waldrip, Casey Bailey, Greg Ziser, Sarah Ribble, Robbie Jones, John Davis, Caleb Rose, Jacob Holloway, Megan Francis, Justin Boeving, Bradley Diggs, Andrew Humphreys, Ben Hale, Johathan Powell, Cody Kees, Kris Zibert, Kristi Hunter, Seth Jewell

Association for Computing Machinery



First row L to R: Andrea Horton, Sabina Penrod; Second row: Flynn Dockery, Eric Specking

STAND, Students Take Action Now: Darfur, was a truly unique RSO that not only allowed UA students to get involved, but also to get the word out and take action for an international crisis that leading nations, such as the United Kingdom, France and United States, have neglected to intervene.

A civil war between the northern militarily and politically powerful Arab-Islamic minority and the southern predominantly black African Christian people, with a long history of enslavement, has dominated Sudan since the country became independent from Britain 60 years ago.

The Arab-Islamic people believed God mandated them to set out on a jihad to destroy the African Christians of the south. Since the first genocide, the total number of refugees was the largest in any country since World War II and since 2003, it was estimated that 300,000 to 500,000 were killed and over 2 million were displaced, according to sudanactivism.com.

"We have to do something about this," said Thomas Vo, a chemistry and economics junior, after watching a clip about the situation at the beginning of the film "Hotel Rwanda" during winter break 2005.

STUDENT *advocates*

S.T.A.N.D. members rally together to raise money and awareness for the Darfur crisis

After much research and increasing compassion for the diminishing number of black African Christians in Darfur, Vo and fellow juniors Katie Fourmy and John Terry formed the UA chapter of STAND in the 2006 spring semester.

There were about 80 people at the first STAND meeting in spring 2006. STAND students took action by petitioning for President Bush to do something about genocide in Darfur, said Vo, current president of STAND.

STAND hosted a Darfur benefit concert at George's Majestic Lounge featuring Famous in May, Ben Rector and Jackson Waters on Dickson Street in September. No cover charge was required but donations were accepted.

"We raised $1,500 to donate to Doctors Without Borders," Vo said. The money benefitted the organization consisting of 162 international volunteers and 2,000 Sudanese staff providing life-saving assistance in 24 locations in Darfur.

Dedicated UA STAND students raised awareness, aided and became advocates for the genocide and humanitarian crisis in Darfur.

BY SHAUNA VO

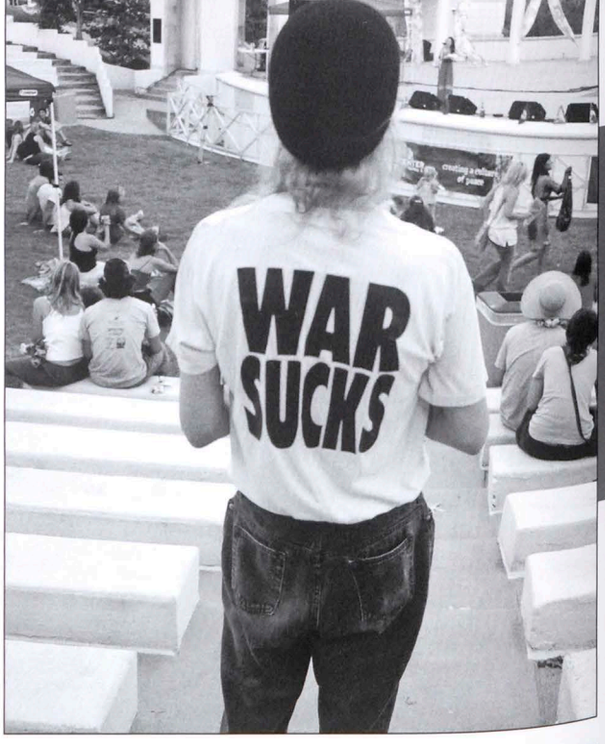


Humanitarian Paul Rusesabagina talks to students about his heroic story that is the basis for the film "Hotel Rwanda" which depicts the events of the genocide that claimed 800,000 lives. The lecture and movie screening, presented by University Programs, helped raise awareness for the ongoing genocide crisis in Darfur. PHOTO BY GIGI HOLDER

Famous in May performs for the crowd at the Darfur benefit concert at George's on Dickson. The first STAND chapter was formed in 2004 at Georgetown University. The organization boasted more than 600 high school and college chapters in 2006 and became an international network of student activism. PHOTO BY JESSICA LEMASTER



S.T.A.N.D.



A Fayetteville resident joins students and community members at Peace Fest. The festival was held at the Greek Theater and was an effort to educate members of the community. PHOTOS BY JESSICA LEMASTER

A man attending Peace Fest at the Greek Theater allows his shirt to do the talking for him. Omni UA tried to promote peace, involvement and education through the festival, as well as through other events during the year.



Omni UA

WORKING *for peace*

Omni UA members strive to bring peace and understanding to UA and the world

With American troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, and continuing war and conflict between Israel and their Mid-East counterparts, many UA students searched for a way to try and bring peace and understanding to the world. With the help of the Omni Center for Peace UA, students looking to change the world could find ways to leave their mark.

According to Stephen Coger, Omni president, the UA branch of Omni Center for Peace was part of a larger community dedicated to a world "free of war and the threat of war."

The Omni Center believed world peace could be achieved through education and understanding, so throughout the 2006-2007 school year, the organization presented various speakers from different nations, including the Marshall Islands, Tibet and Columbia to talk about their native land and how they maintain peace in their respective countries.

But the organization realized that change must happen at home, so when the 2004 Presidential election and the 2006 midterm elections came to pass, Omni decided to take an active role in trying to change the leadership in Washington to a more peace oriented government.

Through Peace Fest, the organization hoped to bring the two major factions in American politics together. With speakers such as a Buddhist monk, the event offered family fun that also educated those in attendance. While the focus of the Omni Center was world peace, their efforts were not solely spent on international causes, in fact, the organization worked in the local community in various facets.

"We were approached by an older member of the Omni Center who mentioned working with the nursing home," Coger said. So the students began to volunteer at a local nursing home. By spending time with these senior citizens, the organization hoped to help make the lives of the elderly more pleasant.

"This was a great way to get things going on in our group," said Coger about the volunteering opportunity.

While working to achieve world peace was the Omni Center's goal, Coger said that what he wanted most from the organization was a way to bring students of like mind together.

"I would hope that Omni is an avenue for students who care about things beyond themselves to get involved in the world," Coger said. "I want people to know they can change the world."

BY JEFF HOBSON

Black Students Association



First row L to R: Chanel Forte, Kay Ruiz, Yolanna Carter, Kara Matthews, Obiako Obi , Amber Williams; Second row: Tina Fletcher, Justin Grimes, Dalila Handy, Kasey Carolina, Morgan Armstrong, Brandon Harris; Third row: Caisha Murry, Brittany Payne, Tanisha Sanders, Danielle Johnson, Shanitra Whitfield, Justin Johnson, Jerrica Chika, Angele Doyne, Mallory Barker, Shurise Telesford, Gregory Williams; Fourth row: Danny Thompson, Kelly Williams, Nigel Chandler, Kelby Moore, Whitnee Boyd, Ryan Duncan, Joann Jeremiah, Ebonie White, Dequincy Bass

Booster Club



First row L to R: Natalie Smith, Hayden Smith, Stacia Outten, Natalie Reis; Second row: Annie Dunning, Haven Jaggers, Will Roth, Ryan Miller, Lauren Sappington

Campus Gamers Association



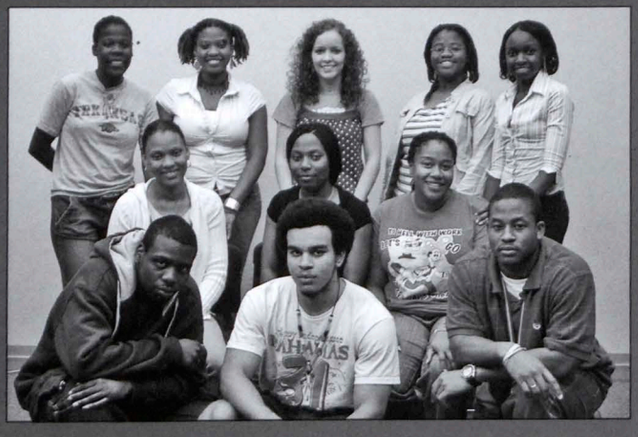
First row L to R: Corlaantill Baldridge, Joel Metcalfe, Katrynne Baldridge; Second row: Ben Wall, Jo Turover, Dennis Gillming, Caleb Heath, Jonathan Wirth

Campus Greens



First row L to R: Andrea Horton, Dustin Krein, Jean Jones, Teija Kearney-Ramos; Second row: Shelby Bourne, Mark Swaney, Bernard Sulliban

Caribbean Student Association



First row L to R: Quincy Word, Eugene Cartwright, Stephen Charter; Second row: Michelle Munro, Shanique Murray; Third row: Tanika O'Connor-Dennie, Peronne Joseph, Andrea Parker, Shurise Telesford, Rachel Namburi

Chinese Students and Scholars Association



First row L to R: Yuan Ren, Ni Yao, Yanpeng Yao, Li Bai, Min Li, Ying Song, Weiyang Ye; Second row: Bei Fan, Qiuyu Fu, Xinxin Wu, Quan Yuan, Steve Sharp, Baochuan Lu, Lei Zhao, Yanchao Liu, Wei Guo, Fei Guo, Hengyu Wang

CRISIS *intervention*

Through intervention and awareness, UA volunteers help students cope with challenges

Coping with college life could be very stressful. Studying for exams, juggling school and social life, and making the grades were a few of the demanding tasks that students endured daily. The Crisis Center on Campus helped not only students at the UA manage challenges, but also people across the entire state of Arkansas as well.

"We also take calls for the state of Arkansas, we aren't just campus based," said senior Kevilynn Drew, president of the Crisis Center. "Our center is the only one in the entire state of Arkansas as well."

The Crisis Center on Campus had been in operation for almost three years. With the 24-hour hot line running seven days a week, volunteers dealt with various types of calls ranging from rape, child abuse, suicide and even the "Call A Friend" hot line for children seeking homework help. On average, the volunteers received approximately 200 calls per month.

The Crisis Intervention Center, currently based in Springdale, was closely affiliated with the UA center. Many of the campus volunteers originally started out as volunteers for the Intervention hot line, which evolved into a campus organization.

Professionals of the Intervention Center trained the volunteers of the Crisis Center on Campus. These students went through extensive training, and also completed monthly in-services so they were fully prepared for any situation they encountered on the Crisis hot line.

"The volunteers learn to assess the severity of the situation," Drew said. "We are not here to counsel you on what you need to do, but the steps you should take so that you can help yourself."

The center volunteers not only ran the daily hot line, but they also organized many activities for the students on campus. While participating in awareness activities such as the Balloon Release for Suicide Victims and workshops concentrating on being stress-free, the volunteers mainly focused on Suicide Awareness.

"We try to help incoming freshmen and sophomores cope with the transition from high school to college life," Drew said. "A lot of students don't know that we exist on campus or our purpose. We want students to utilize us because we are here for them."

BY PRECIOUS TEMPLE



Volunteers of the student organization, Crisis Center on Campus release balloons for victims and survivors during Suicide Awareness Month. The balloon release was a way for people coping with the loss of a loved one to celebrate their remembrance, and the event encouraged people to seek help for their crisis.



Carrie Hyde, Crisis Center volunteer, helps blow up balloons for the release. "Obviously suicide or death is a hard pill to swallow," Drew said. "Things like this event raise awareness as well as help people cope with the situation." The Crisis Center focused on helping students to help themselves. COURTESY PHOTOS

Crisis Center on Campus

Crisis Center on Campus



First row L to R: Kevilynn Drew, Alison Williams, Natalie White, Paige Damron, Jeff Patrick

Crop, Soil, Environmental Science Graduate Student Association



First row L to R: Sarah Kenyon, Nyambilila Amuri, Trenton Roberts, Jamie Underwood, Marites Sales; Second row: Sanjeev Bangarwa, Burl Seversike, Jeremy Bullington, Mark Reiter, Peter Tomlinson, Franklin Lyons, Michael Olivera-Melgar

Diversity Alliance



First row L to R: Danielle Johnson, Sue Yang, Sheri Frutiger, Jordan Green, Shonda Brown, Corderro Baxter, Shakita Baxter; Second row: Joy Ibanga, LaToya Bankhead, Mallory Barker, Angele Payne, Bertha Gutierrez, Kasey Carolina, Mary Chu

Certain commonalities come to mind when exemplifying what is known as the typical "gamer." Greasy hair and a taste for medieval treachery comprised the generic make-up of the everyday Dungeon Master or Level 60 World of Warcraft connoisseur. The UA Campus Gamers hoped to extinguish that stereotype.

"We want to bring together people of all different factions and status," said vice president Stephen Parker.

Self-described "First Lady" of the group Katherine McClain endorsed the slogan "Campus Gamers: We Have Boobs" in order to dispel the notion that all gamers were lonely men who lived in their parents' basements.

The group was established three years ago, and the numbers continued growing. The group encouraged anyone to come out and play, ranging from role-playing games (RPGs) to video games and even board games.

The group was endorsed by Roy Swatty, alleged "leader" of Audio and Video in Kimpel Hall and was founded by a member no longer attending the UA. The gamers didn't get the space requested in the Union's TV Lounge for weekly meetings, but met there every Tuesday anyway.

GET YOUR *game face on*

UA students find fellow players and free fun through Campus Gamers

Meetings often entailed playing board games, competing in video games or creating characters for RPG's such as Dungeons and Dragons.

"D&D is an imaginative, social experience that engages players in a rich fantasy world," according to the official Advanced Dungeons and Dragons Web site.

Players created characters that embarked on imaginary adventures against monsters and progressively became more powerful. Sets of dice are used along with an extensive official rulebook in order to mathematically calculate a given character's abilities.

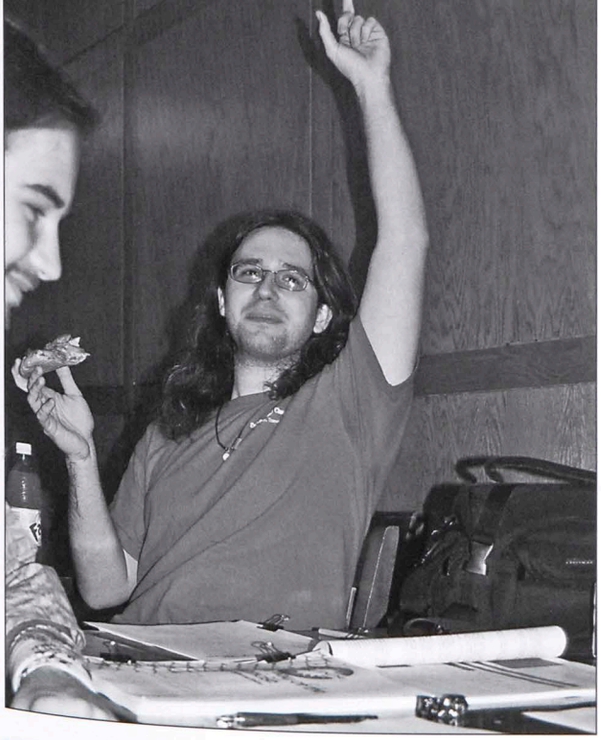
"This is a social hobby," group treasurer Caleb Heath said. "Primarily we play for the social aspects of the game."

Jo Turover, who was in charge of group promotions, with her 3- and 6-year-old daughters Katrynne and Corlaantill, further exceeded the gamer stereotype by bringing the girls to the Tuesday meetings. They even won at a game of Apples to Apples.

One new campus gamer, however, acknowledged the stereotypes. "You can't have had sex for at least three weeks," he said.

"Three weeks?" gamer Joel Metcalf replied. "Oh, newbie."

BY STACY RYBURN



Campus Gamer Ben Wall makes his point while enjoying a snack at a Campus Gamers meeting. The group met in the Union's TV lounge every Tuesday, where they played everything from board games to video games to Dungeons and Dragons.

Gamers Jason Garner and Joel Metcalf, Campus Gamers president, consult the rule book during a game. The group was established three years ago and has grown ever since. PHOTOS BY STACY RYBURN

Campus Gamers



Members of Hillel sit down to enjoy a Chinese takeout dinner at their usual Friday Shabbat meal. About 25 members and new members came to their meal in the middle of January for food at the start of the spring semester.

New members introduce themselves before the meal begins. Hillel encouraged Jewish students and those simply interested in Judaism to come to the house for fun and fellowship. PHOTOS BY STACY RYBURN



Hillel Jewish Student Association

GATHERING *place*

The Hillel Jewish Student Association offers a foundation for Jewish campus life.

Most Fridays throughout the year, students gathered in a quaint house in Fayetteville for a traditional Shabbat dinner, the main meal of the week that begins after sundown in Jewish households in Israel and around the world. The Hillel House was a gathering place for Jewish students and the foundation for their campus life.

The Hillel Student Association promoted service, fellowship and community among Jewish students and those interested in Judaism. Many of the members were Jewish but welcomed those of all faiths to participate. Junior Laura Cotton joined Hillel in the spring as an opportunity to experience other faiths, one of the goals of the campus organization.

"Technically, I'm a Bahai, but I was raised in a household that practiced two religions, that and Episcopalian Christianity, and was always encouraged to check out and celebrate other religions in order to educate myself about other faith systems and help break down prejudices with other people," Cotton said.

The students also joined with community members to contribute and volunteer with local organizations including Faith in Action, Peace at Home Family Shelter, Habitat for Humanity and the Holocaust Education Workshop.

Hillel offices, the religious school and sanctuary were located in the Hillel House near campus in conjunction with the Temple Shalom of Northwest Arkansas, a small congregation that represented diverse practices but was dedicated to the maintenance of the Jewish presence in the area. Both collaborated to provide religion school, events and prayer opportunities.

Hillel was also dedicated to sponsoring speakers on campus to promote their message. The RSO sponsored a lecture from Deputy Consul General of Israel, Belaynesh Zevadia, who presented "From Africa to the Middle East: An Ethiopian-Israeli Perspective" in September. She joined Israel's Foreign Ministry in 1993 and became the first Ethiopian woman in the Israeli Diplomatic Service.

"I've known about [Hillel] since my freshman year in spring 2004 when a friend took me to a Sabbath service," Cotton said. "I've known members of it off and on for my entire college experience, and they always seemed really warm and inviting."

BY CAROLYN FINNIE

Engineers Without Borders



First row L to R: Ashley Wiedower, Julie Jones, Grace Richardson; Second row: Annette Porter, Marvell Banks

Friends of Opera



First row L to R: Leanne Scaggs, Sarah Mesko; Second row: Sean Phillip Mabrey, Emily High, S. Michael Shuman

Gamma Beta Phi



In alphabetical order: Heather Ainsley, Jonathan Akins, Kimberly Allen, Christina Antley, Catherine Becker, Lindsey Brown, Samantha Buckmaster, Laura Carpenter, Jenny Culver, Jennifer Dreisbach, Kalissa Erni, Maggie Dietrich, Chris Fahrenbruch, Kristin Faulk, Drew Fleming, Meredith Frasier, Jennifer Free, Sarah Gammill, Antoinette Grajeda, Mohammed Hasanain, Sarah Hudson, Amanda Lee, Shannon Lee, Carrie Melville, Megan Milowski, Meredith Moore, Ryan Moss, Kimberly Mueller, Lindsay Murchison, Casey Nowell, Bhavin Patel, Amanda Peterson, Ember Phillips, Kelsey Pirani, Laura Pratt, Natalie Reis, Aeisha Smith, Natalie Smith, Brittany Taylor, Rachel Thomas, Sarah Trisko, Terry Vo, Katie Watson, Jason Wilkins, Rebecca Williamson,



Karen Thibodeaux, Andjela Subotic, Sarah Mesko and Ember Lanuti perform Massenet's "Cendrillion" at the Stella Boyle Smith Concert Hall. The RSO brought opera lovers together to perform and gain experience. Lanuti and Mesko as Cinderella and Prince Charming in the Friends of the Opera's take on Cinderella. The RSO raised money to support the UA Opera Theater performances. COURTESY PHOTOS



Friends of Opera

A PASSION FOR *performing*

Friends of Opera focused on quality productions and contributing to the community

UA registered student organization Friends of Opera was committed to raising awareness and appreciation of opera on campus and in the community. It was founded in the fall of 2005 by Leanne Scaggs, the president of the organization. In addition to running their organization, the officers were singers who performed regularly with the UA Opera Theater. The group's main goal was to financially support the Opera Theater and raise funds to ensure quality performances. Vice President Sarah Mesko said the members of the group "love opera and want to share it with as many people as possible."

The theater presented a scenes program every fall semester, while in the spring semester the theater presented a major production which included the Opera chorus, concert choir or the Northwest Arkansas' children's chorus. The theater's Arkansas premieres included Britten's "Turn of the Screw" and Poulenc's "La Voix Humaine."

Productions take place at locations such as Dickson Street Theater and St. Paul's Church. The organization prided itself on the use of non-traditional venues, according to the RSO's Web site.

For the 2006 season, the theater performed "Highlights of Italian Opera" in December at the Stella Boyle Smith Concert Hall. The spring performance was Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel," a children's matinee which was sung in English, and performed in March.

Through their participation in fundraising events, group members gained leadership experience and organizational skills. Before becoming vice president, Mesko said she used to wait for other people to make decisions. "Leanne and the other officers have been such good role models for me: they are so optimistic, and so sure that we can change things about our situations that are not ideal," Mesko said.

In addition to helping the Opera Theater, Friends of Opera members contributed to the community as well with fundraisers like a concert and a silent auction to benefit the victims of Hurricane Katrina. Members of the group hoped to continue their involvement in the community by hosting benefit concerts each year.

BY NATALIE MORRISON

Gamma Eta Sorority, Inc.



First row L to R: Tarah McConnell, Rosa Puga, Erin Knapp, Vanessa Stewart, Angelica Santillan, Danielle Hasty

GroGreen Student Organic Garden Club

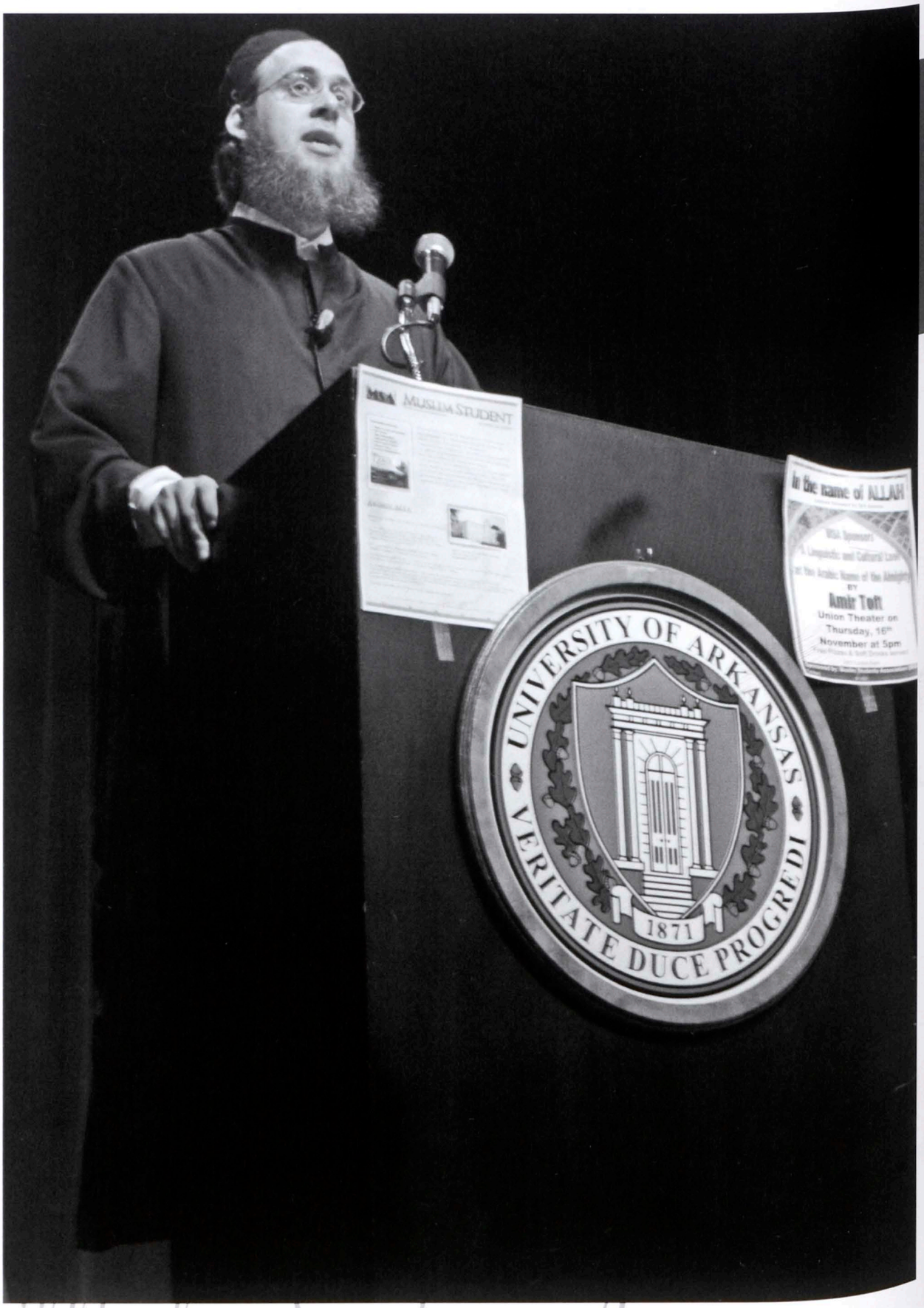


First row L to R: Grace Richardson, Sarah Moore, Heather Friedrich; Second row: Brian Sepko, Brandon Crouch, Brock Pruett

Hillel



First row L to R: Katrynne Baldridge, Orit Farkas, Megan Turner, Debora Farkas, Corlaantill Baldridge; Second row: Jo Turover, Dennis Gilmlming Jr., Daniel Estes, Michael Schwartz, Uri Farkas, Donald Upton



Amir Toft gives a lecture titled "In the name of Allah: A Linguistic and Cultural look at the Arabic name of the Almighty." Toft's lecture, given in the Union Theater Thursday, Nov. 16, was sponsored by the Muslim Students Association. PHOTO BY ERIKA SIMMONS

Muslim Student Association

TEACHING *other cultures*

Muslim Student Association works to teach the UA the practices of Islam

With diversity ever increasing on the UA campus, the Muslim Student Association hoped to educate the student body about the Muslim culture.

"We have three aims for our organization," President Naveed Hingora said. The goals included promoting diversity, introducing the Muslim culture to the UA community and clearing misconceptions about the Muslim world in the general population.

But the organization's aims were not only meant to help the UA community understand Muslim culture. After incoming Muslim students enrolled in the UA, they contacted the organization before arriving in the United States.

"We help the incoming international students from other countries to become accustomed to the culture over here," Hingora said. "This is a totally different culture for them. We give them an overview about what life is all about in America."

It was very important that these incoming students get plugged into the local Muslim community, and the Muslim Students Association helped by hosting dinners after the start of each semester "so they can know other Muslim students at the University" Hingora said. With over 100 members in the UA chapter, the group worked hard to dispel any misinformation concerning the Muslim culture.

"We want to educate them about different practices of the Muslim community," Hingora said. The organization worked with faculty and staff to help them understand different customs within the Muslim culture such as the daily prayer and the Ramadan, the month of fasting.

"We do a lecture in Giffels auditorium to answer questions about Muslim culture as well as participate in class discussions," Hingora said about the group's educational practices.

The organization was more than willing to open their doors to people interested in understanding Muslim culture. With the Muslim Student Association working to educate the general population of the UA and Northwest Arkansas about the practices of Islam and the Muslim culture, the UA community was better able to understand different cultures they came in contact with everyday.

BY JEFF HOBSON

Hmong Student Organization of Arkansas



First row L to R: Mai Moua, Stephanie Vang, Sheng Moua, Linda Lee, PaDao Lee, Kaolee Mona; Second row: Kong Lo, Houa Xiong, Mike Lee, Tou John Moua, Chong Lor, Sue Yang, Shong Thao, Lorzone Lo

International Bolivian Organization



First row L to R: Ivan Monje, Guillermo Moscoso, Diego Rioja, Michel Dabdoub, Mario Larrain; Second row: Karen Balderrama, Valeria Mustafa, Ninon Gamarra, Zohara Moralli, Marisol Bedregal

International Student Christian Association

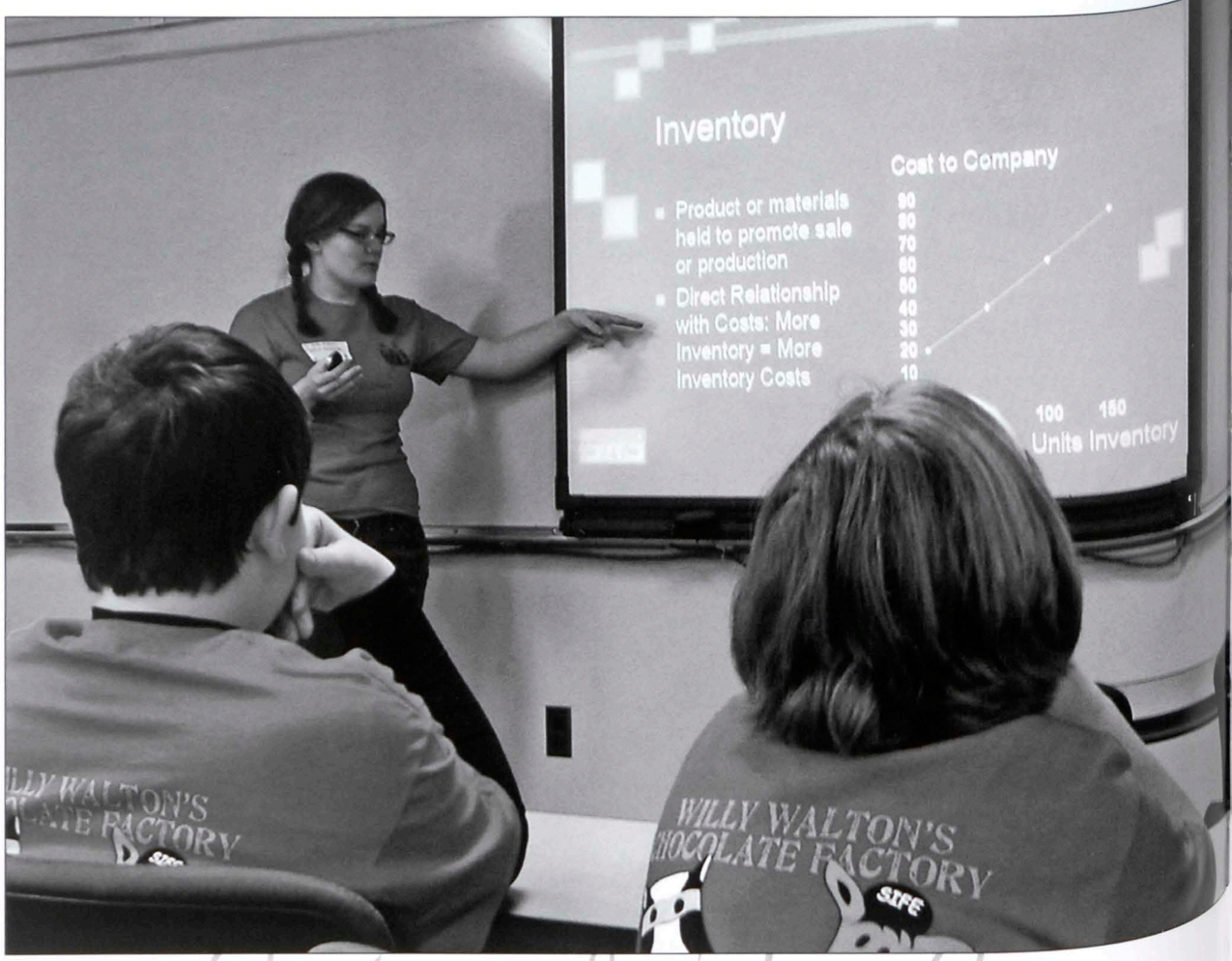


First row L to R: Vijith Varghese, Richard Aik Jong Tan, Mauricio Guzman, Baochuan Lu, Huan Guo; Second row: Huajie Geng, Rachael Namburi, Weu-Hsin Hsu, Sarah Geng, Jianpu Wang, Janiva Henry, Peronne Joseph



Amanda Otto teaches logistics to elementary students during Willy Walton's Chocolate Factory, a SIFE program that taught youth about global chocolate production. The program allowed the younger students to create and operate their own chocolate company.

Justin Beam works with children at Washington Elementary in the E-SIFE program. Members of SIFE paid weekly visits to their partner elementary school. Many SIFE programs such as this reached out to the community to help others learn business principles. COURTESY PHOTOS



Students In Free Enterprise

ENTERPRISING *individuals*

Students in Free Enterprise teach ethics and business principles to local youth

SIFE was a global, non-profit organization that was active on more than 1,800 university campuses in more than 40 countries and was involved in many different activities on and around campus.

"No matter what your major is, I truly believe that business knowledge is always beneficial," said Sara Jackson, the Students in Free Enterprise director of public relations.

SIFE taught third, fourth and fifth graders the basics of business ethics during "Ethics-Palooza," an event sponsored by Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc. on Jan. 26. The event took place at the Reynolds Center on campus, and dinner was provided for all students involved. Jackson said that teaching business ethics at a young age was important because if these kids were brought up with the ideas of business ethics it will help them grow, and to learn as they grow.

Jackson said that SIFE was often contacted by businesses and other organizations for help. In the fall, the Boys and Girls Club of Siloam Springs contacted the group as a way to help raise awareness and funds.

"Being on the SIFE team is like having a huge committee of the best mentors you could ever have," Jackson said. Local businesses often provided monetary support and advice to the members.

"I don't think students realize what an impact SIFE has on a resume," Jackson said. "I'm on a first name basis with so many important people." Jackson also said she got an internship that later turned into a job because of her involvement in SIFE.

SIFE had regional, national and World Cup competitions each year in which each team was given 24 minutes to give presentations in all the different programs they offered in the regional competition. Judges, who were prominent members of the business community, critiqued the team and their impact on the community. The teams that advanced from regional and national competitions then had a chance at the World Cup. Jackson said the entire UA team was offered jobs last year after their presentation.

Jackson stressed that SIFE wasn't just for business majors. The organization was involved in many different activities that demanded skills outside of business, she said.

BY COURTNEY CAMPBELL

International Student Organization



First row L to R: Arjun Dasgupta, Nabil Lehlou, Takahiro Nakamura; Second row: Niharika Bajad, Tanushree Thote, Cecilia Careaga, Tanya Pereira, Suvish Melanta

KXUA



First row L to R: Will Simmons, Joel Bunch, David Prater, Derek Miller, Rachel Stuckey, Eric Jensen; Second row: Quincy Ward, Derek Jenkins, Raymond Burks, Perrone Joseph, Chase Green

Live Music Commission



L to R: Joel Bunch, David Prater, Derek Miller

National Association of Black Accountants



First row L to R: DeMeica Birmingham, Stanley Spates, Juanita Evurunobi, Aeisha Smith, Joy Ibanga; Second row: Whitnee Boyd, Dominique Hunter, Chanta Givens, Summer Johnson, Marsha James

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People



First row L to R: Yolanda Carter, Dominique Hunter, Tabitha Lee, Kara Matthews, Keri Lynch; Second row: Whitnee Boyd, Brittany Payne, Amber Williams, Chanel Forte, Angele Doyne, Joann Jeremiah, Mallory Barker, Danielle Johnson; Third row: Danny Thompson, Nigel Chandler, Ryan Duncan, Marsha James, Jerrica Chika, Dalila Handy, Jean Jones, Kaytrisha Ruiz, Dexter Freeman

National Society of Black Engineers



First row L to R: Avia Peters, Stephanie McCollough, Marzouck Coles, Kalisha Henry, Andrea Horton

RECRUITMENT *leaders*

Student Ambassadors help prospective students feel at home through campus tours

Student Ambassadors were a group of student leaders who volunteered to give campus tours to prospective college students and provided information for students during recruitment events. They also worked in the Office of Admissions and worked with the Athletic Department to recruit new student athletes. There were around 50 student ambassadors who met once a week for meetings and events. The RSO paid student ambassadors to represent each of the schools at the UA but it also included a number of student ambassadors who were simply volunteers.

Being an ambassador was an excellent way to volunteer and gain leadership skills. The main job of student ambassadors was to ease the transition of incoming students who came from many different states and represented a wide variety of majors.

Andreas Chen, a biochemistry major from Fort Smith, Ark., was a student ambassador and said he wanted to volunteer his time because he believed the UA is a good university and he wants people to come here.

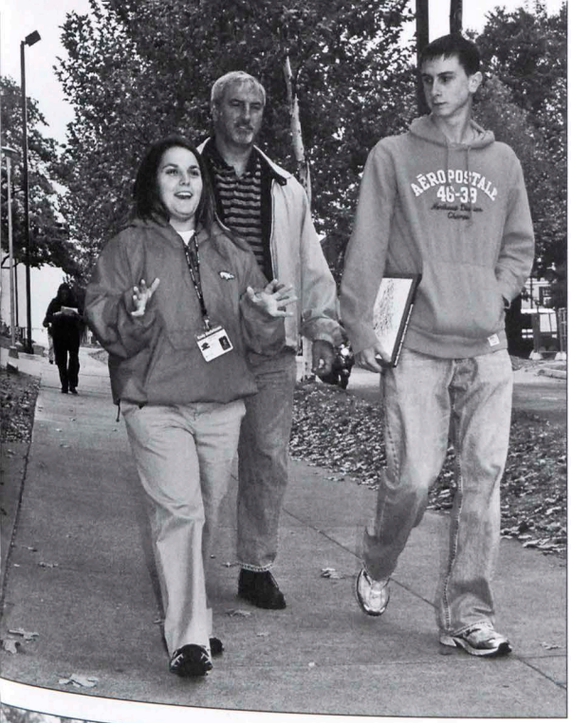
Taylor Broyles, a nursing major from Dallas, was another student ambassador. She said she became a student ambassador because she wanted to be more involved.

"I care about the future of our school," she said, "I enjoy being more involved in who the future students will be, because it ensures the well-being of our school."

The Student Ambassadors also hosted special events such as Ready Razorback, an event that took place in early October with 750 prospective students and their families bringing the total number of people to more than 1,000. This event included more thorough tours of the campus and a seminar at Bud Walton where students and their parents watched a video and received T-shirts. It also gave prospective students the chance to mingle and get to know each other.

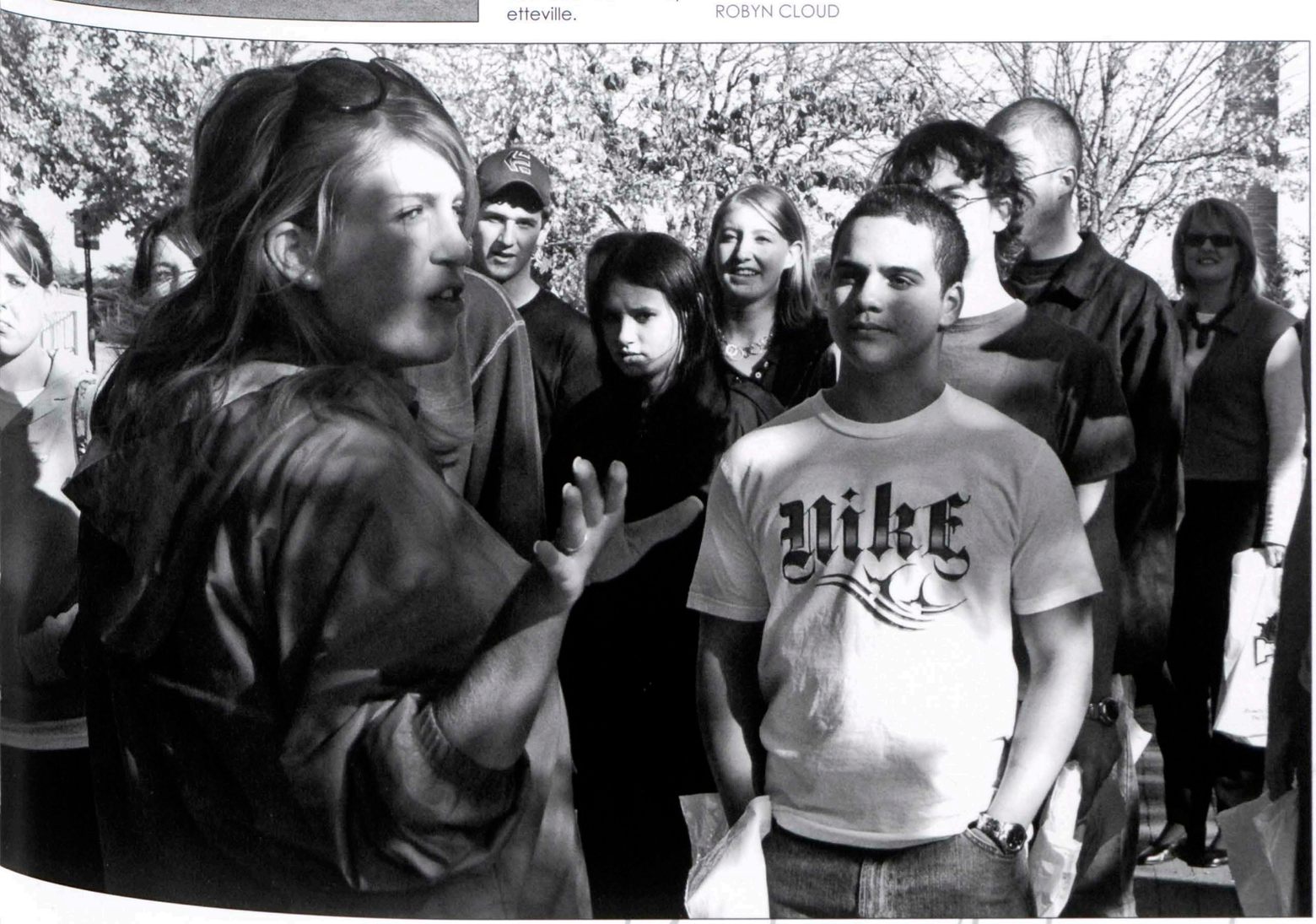
"It's a fun organization that plugs you into campus more and allows you to meet a different variety of students that you might not usually meet," Broyles said.

BY COURTNEY CAMPBELL

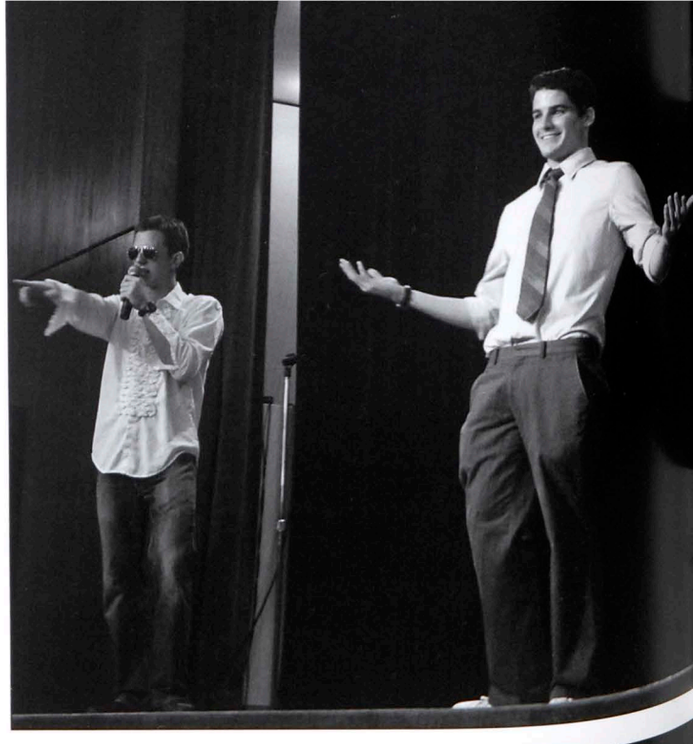


Sophomore Kody Stuffelbeam, a student ambassador, leads a prospective student and his father down Senior Walk. The goal of the program was for current students to share their experience with prospective students and ease the transition into life in Fayetteville.

Junior Allison Linden, another ambassador, shows prospective students the residence and dining halls on campus. The ambassadors led walking campus tours and residence hall tours six days a week every semester. PHOTOS BY ROBYN CLOUD

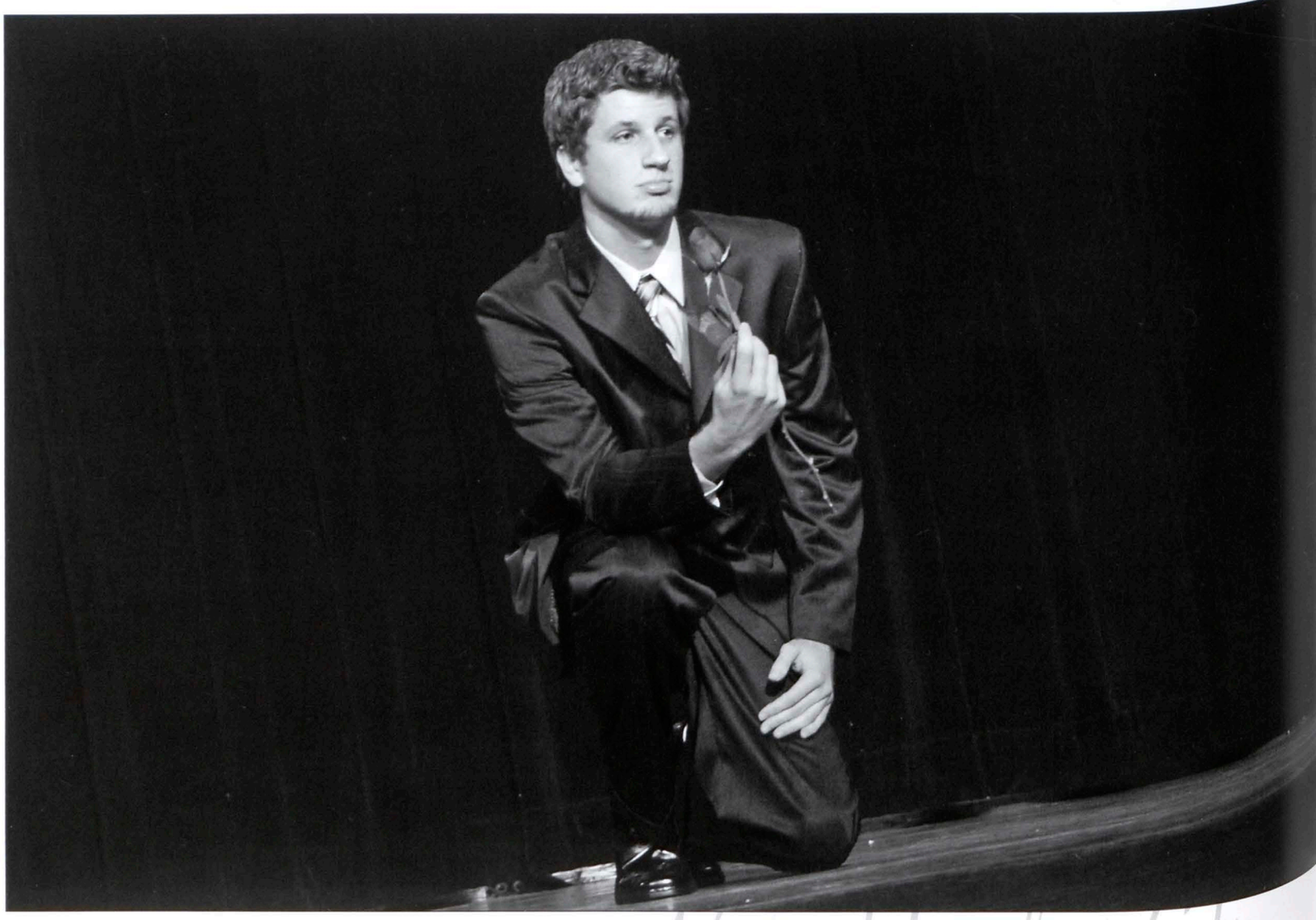


Student Ambassadors



Bryce Owesley uses flowers and puppy eyes trying to bring home the big bucks at the annual BYX date auction. Lucky ladies bid on the eligible bachelors in hopes of winning a date with them. The money the men netted went to charity.

Showing off the goods, junior Seth Cordry was put up for auction for the annual BYX service auction. The money from the auction goes to the BYX's philanthropy Camp Barnabas, a camp in Missouri for children with special needs. PHOTOS BY ERIKA SIMMONS



Beta Upsilon Chi

SERVICE *through brotherhood*

Brothers Under Christ has a busy year with functions, service and biggest pledge class yet

In 2003 Beta Upsilon Chi fraternity's Xi chapter began at the University of Arkansas. In its fourth year on campus, BYX has grown into a brotherhood of more than one hundred members committed to fellowship and accountability.

"The men in this fraternity have had a tremendous impact on my life and I can't imagine any other people I would have rather gone through my college experience with," said senior Thomas Duke, a founding father.

In the summer of 2006 several groups of BYX brothers used the break from school as an opportunity to serve the Lord. Several members worked at Kankuk Kamps, Camp War Eagle, Pine Cove Christian camps and KALEO, which is a evangelical ministries project in Florida.

"I learned about Kankuk through BYX and it was a great opportunity to serve the kids I worked with and the Lord," sophomore Heath Mitchell said. "Plus I got to get a lot closer to the brothers I worked with and gained a greater understanding of servanthood."

October proved to be the fraternity's busiest month with rush and Homecoming happening in a two week period. On Oct. 8 the brothers had bid day for their Delta pledge which had 50 members and was the largest pledge class for the fraternity yet, as well as one of the largest pledge classes on campus. Homecoming work began the next week, and the pledges began earning their points by working on the fraternity's float, lawn decorations, banner and other Homecoming activities.

"Homecoming was really intense," senior Daniel Godfrey said. "I was our homecoming chair and on the step team, so I had to delegate a lot of responsibility to other guys. I picked the theme Dinosaurs because it's about as old of a legacy as you can get. I was really proud of our pledges who started work on it the day after bid day. They jumped in and took direction. I couldn't be more happy with our showing and RSO win."

BYX grouped with Sigma Phi Lambda and Gamma Eta sorority for Homecoming and this was the first time BYX had paired with a sorority for Homecoming since their first year on campus. The fraternity continued the fall semester with various functions and service work for their philanthropy Camp Barnabas.

BY BRANDON EDWARDS

National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws



L to R: Derrick Hartberger, Joseph Hall, Jordan Dickerson, Chris Carter, Chase Brodrick

Omni UA



First row L to R: Dustin Krein, Olivia Meeks, Sheri Frutiger, Sarah Burrow, Moriah Kramer, Abel Tomlinson; Second row: Travis Eddings, Stephen Coger, Ian Horton, C.J. Atkins, Gladys Tiffany, Alejandro Aviles

Phi Upsilon Omicron



First row L to R: Brittany Taylor, Megan Dunaway, Laura Carpenter; Second row: Megan Ellis, Sharon Linder, Dawna Beeler, Shannon Carpenter

Razorback Yearbook



First row L to R: Carolyn Finnie, Megan Garner, Mallory Smith, Emily Walker, Gigi Holder; Second row: Darren McNeill, Precious Temple, Shannon Sanders, Courtney Campbell, Robyn Cloud, Jonathan Carlsmith

Society of Women Engineers



First row L to R: Megan Burlan, Jessica Temple, Tanushree Thote, Miriam Defibaugh Chavez.

Student Ambassadors



First row L to R: Amanda Cook, Kenna Primm, Kapra Stuffelbeam, Kody Stuffelbeam, Nicole Scogin, Rioarce Gonzales; Second row: Maggie Dietrich, Andreas Chen, Mirey Medina, Erin Davidson, Ashleigh Gibson, Cynthia Bonds, Keisha Fowler; Third row: Justin Johnson, Chelle McKenzie, Shahala Hanks, Aimee Jones, Will Roth, Bradley Ward, Chase Jones

UATV



L to R: Janet Breda, Jadiann Thompson, Nichelle Sullivan, Jennifer Driesbach, Courtney Dixon

University Programs



First row L to R: Mary Coonley, Jacquelynn Bensing, Jennifer Dreisbach, Terry Vo, Jason Bosch; Second row: Robin Atkinson, Roberto Noensie. Grant Spencer, Max Hoover, Jessica Farrell

NEW KIDS ON *the block*

Quad students build a rich tradition of excellence for a new residence hall

The Northwest Quad Hall Senate was a governing body made up of students elected by Northwest Quad residents. The senate was given a yearly budget and used those funds throughout the year to benefit the residents and organize programs.

The group started the year off with a weekend retreat to Camp War Eagle. There, the members got to know each other, learn about their positions in senate and participate in group activities that promoted teamwork and leadership skills.

Competing in homecoming was the Northwest Quad's main project last fall. The homecoming committee, chaired by senate member Sam Hall, participated in all 10 "Living the Legacy" homecoming events during the week leading up to the UA Homecoming football game.

"I was really proud of all our hard work and glad that the Quad actually participated this year," said Jessica Minard, a Northwest Quad senate member. "We had a lot of fun getting to know the other senate members, too."

This was the first year that the Quad participated in the Homecoming festivities, and they placed third overall among the residence halls. Winning first place in the hog statue contest and second place in the banner competition were two of the many things that helped seal the Quad's success. The group's Homecoming activities were funded by housing.

The Quad did have a few problems with recruiting residents to help with activities and with time restrictions.

"I thought we did really well overall," Sam Hall said. "I was happy with how we used what we had and I liked that we had a lot of involvement with the lawn. That was my favorite Homecoming event."

The Quad senate met once a week to discuss new legislation and bills. The group also sponsored and participated in other activities throughout the year. The Quad co-sponsored a Halloween event with Reid Hall called "Hell on the Hill," Midnight Breakfast during finals week, a study abroad dinner and Spring Carnival. Improvements to the Quads were also made by the senate, such as the addition of wireless access points throughout the residence halls.

BY SHANNON SANDERS



Hard at work, Northwest Quad residents and senate members Kim Murray and Courtney Gray use bricks to weigh down the decorations on their Homecoming float. The dorm netted a third place overall finish in what was their first year to compete in the Homecoming festivities.

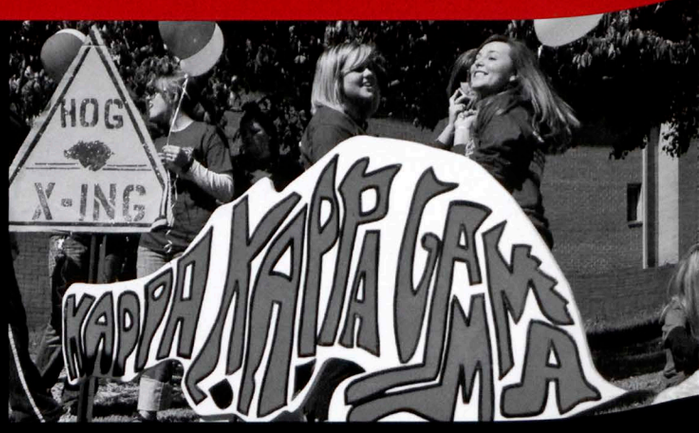
Northwest Quad Senate members Courtney Gray and Holly Minard work on the Quad's float for the Homecoming Parade. The hall's Homecoming committee participated in all 10 Homecoming events throughout the week. PHOTOS BY STACY RYBURN



NWQ Hall Senate

Members of Zeta Tau Alpha show their spirit at the Alpha Kappa Alpha Unity Step Show.
Bottom: Members of Kappa Kappa Gamma prepare for the Homecoming lawn decorating contest.
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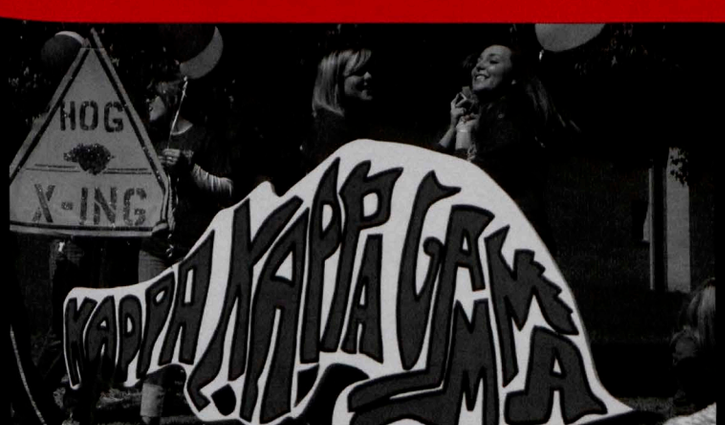


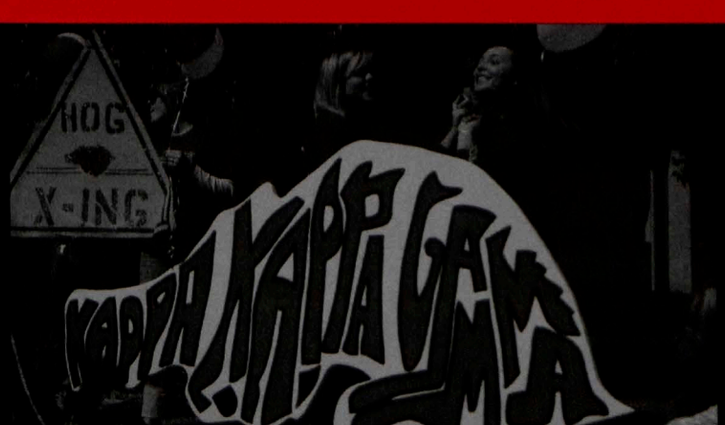




Whether they were a pledge, an active member or an alumni, Greeks made connections with the university, the community and each other. These Greeks shared an indescribable friendship, a bond that would identify them as brothers and sisters throughout their lives.

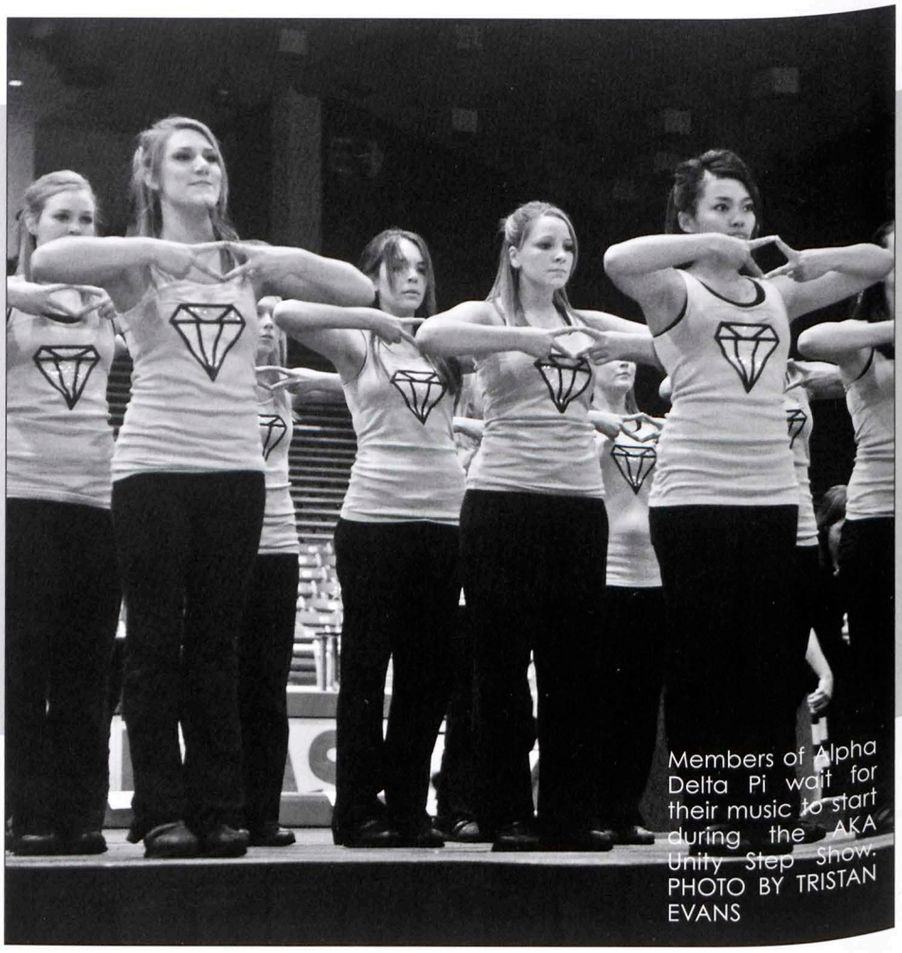
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alpha delta pi

UA Founding Date
May 15, 1957
Famous Alumni
Jean Smart & Nancy Grace
Symbols
Diamond & Lion
Colors
Azure Blue & White
Biggest Event
Rock-A-Thon

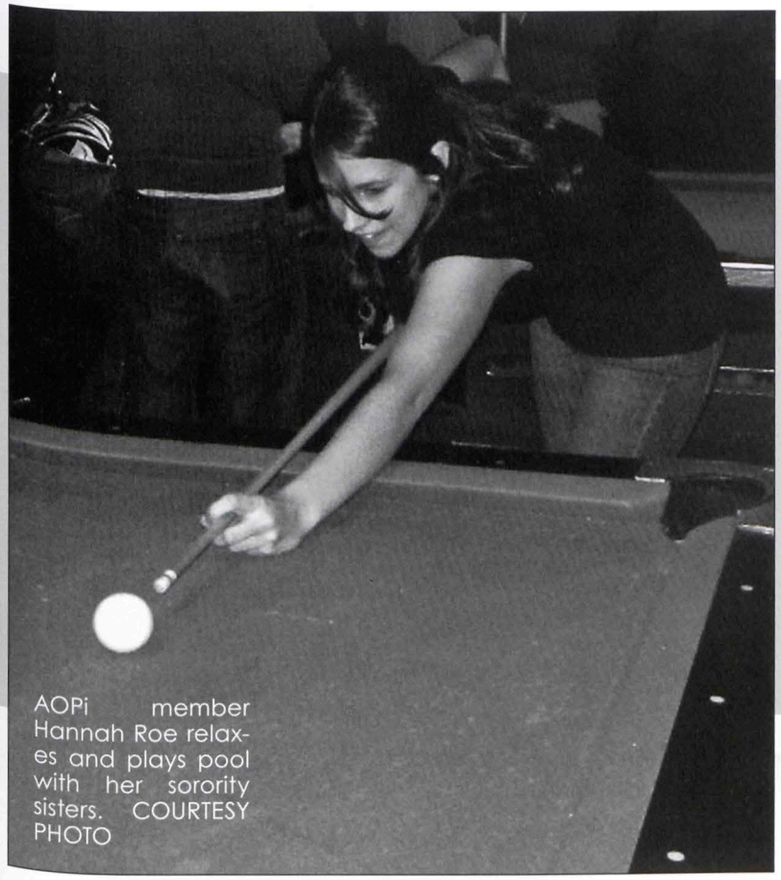


Members of Alpha Delta Pi wait for their music to start during the AKA Unity Step Show. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS



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alpha omicron pi



AOPi member Hannah Roe relaxes and plays pool with her sorority sisters. COURTESY PHOTO

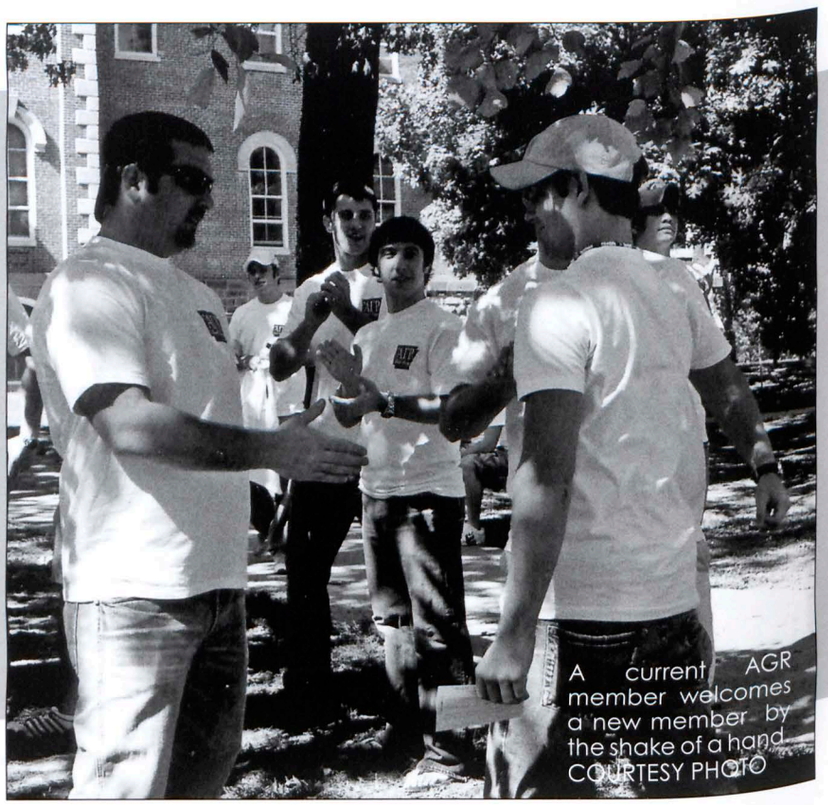
UA Founding Date
August 29, 2006
Symbols
Panda & Rose
Color
Cardinal
Biggest Event
Strike Out Arthritis



Christina Arcana, Hope Argo, Lisa Asbury, Sidney Bennett, Tiffany Berkemeyer, Brittany Booker, Catherine Breland, Olivia Burnett, Adrianne Burris, Amanda Cains, Ashley Collins, Elizabeth Cone, Whitney Cooper, Alyssa Cunningham, Olivia Daniel, Andrea Delicati, Allison Dent, Caroline Derby, Meagan Doyle, Courtney Duhamel, Sarah Duncan, Robin Edwards, Lauren Elridge, Rebecca Elliott, Jessica Feinman, Kimberly Fermaint, Zarah Fortune, Megan Franklin, Stacy Gadeke, Sarah Gammill, Jordan Garrett, Sarah Gavin, Jessica Graham, Rebecca Heflin, Alyssa Horlick, Karrie Huber, Magie Johnson, Hannah Jordan, Kate Jordan, Kristen Jutras, Yerim Kim, Paige Kimbrough, Julianne Koch, Morgan Lindley, Tammy Lippert, Lauren Massey, Ashely McGehee, Stephanie McKenna, Claire McKinney, Tara McMahan, Jennifer Miller, Jordan Mooney, Meredith Moore, Brittany Murphy, Jessica Nichols, Micah Nolan, Katherine O'Connell, Lisa Ogier, Stephanie Olds, Monica Parrish, Katherine Perry, Saylor Prather, Aimee Pruett, Brittany Ramos, SaVannah Reading, Shannon Rehm, Hannah Roe, Jamie Rowland, Lindsey Sarratt, Allison Schmohl, Brittany Scott, Rebecca Shipp, Kelsey Smith, Marci Smith, Monique St. Pierre, Diana Taylor, Lacey Thorpe, Hilda Villafranca, Katie Watson, Brittany Weaver, Bethany Wildy, Sara Williams, Mary Wilson, Rachael Wright, Amy Yealy, Leeanne Young

green and gold
sickle sheath & crescent
alpha gamma rho

UA Founding Date
April 28, 1934
Famous Alumni
Orville Redenbacher & J.C. Penney
Symbols
Sickle, Sheath & Crescent
Colors
Dark Green & Gold
Biggest Event
Margaritaville

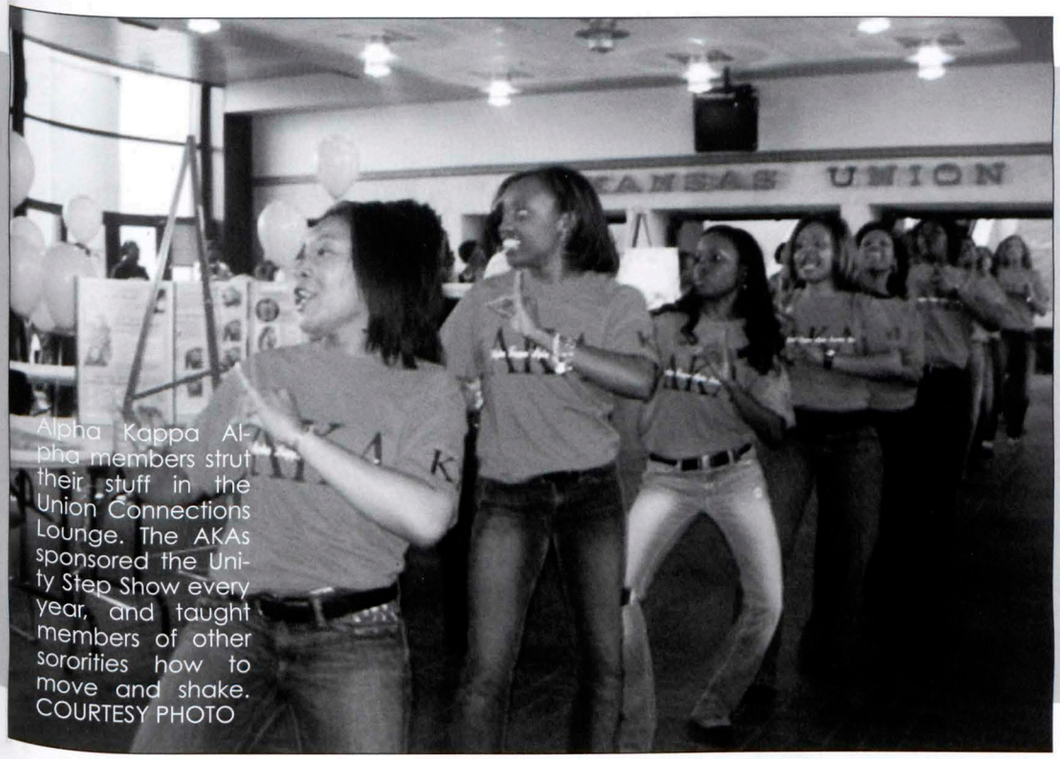


A current AGR member welcomes a new member by the shake of a hand. COURTESY PHOTO



Chris Alexander, Kyle Avey, Reece Bailey, Joseph Ballard, Marshall Blinzer, James Cates, Michael Chandler, Jonathan Collum, Wesley Curry, David Davault, Jack Davis, Bodie Drake, Brady Eudy, Jeffery Filbin, Chris Gifford, Andrew Graham, Jerrod Harris, Chance Holland, Matthew Hughes, Sammuel McFadin, Grant McGinnis, Nathan Morton, Tyson Privett, Don Pruitt, Daniel Quinn, Raymond Quinton, Gerald Ragland, Randall Ragon, Steven Raney, Peter Ratliff, Christopher Riggs, Daniel Robinson, Jason Schwieso, Kyle Slagle, James Swadley, Mitchell Thomas, Steven Warhurst, Christopher Weller, Charles Williams, Jacob Williams, Corey Wilson, Jacob Wooley

alpha kappa alpha



Alpha Kappa Alpha members strut their stuff in the Union Connections Lounge. The AKAs sponsored the Unity Step Show every year, and taught members of other sororities how to move and shake. COURTESY PHOTO

UA Founding Date
March 26, 1976
Famous Alumni
Rosa Parks
Symbols
Ivy & Frog
Colors
Salmon Pink &
Apple Green
Biggest Event
Unity Step Show



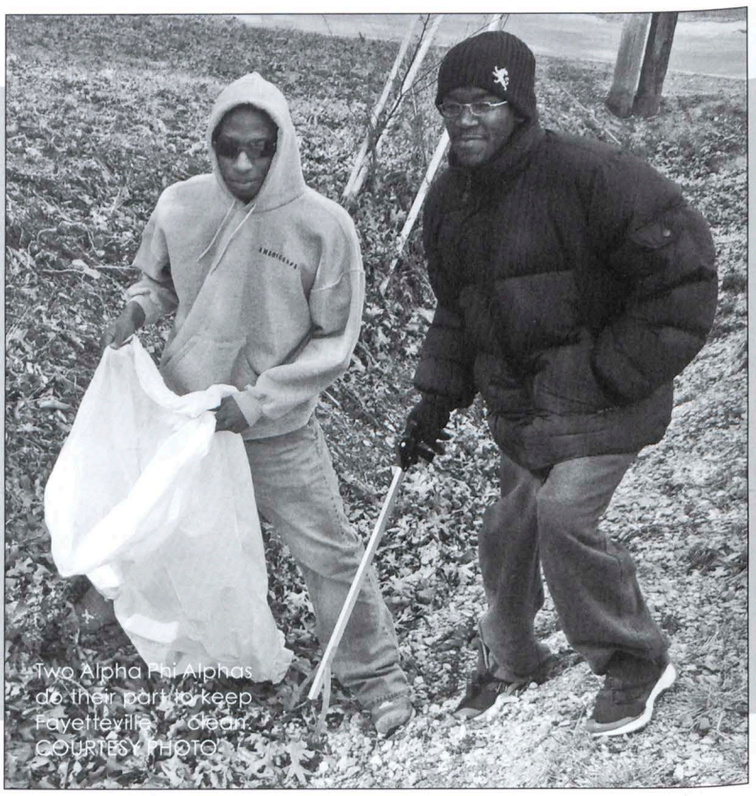
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egyptian sphinx

alpha phi alpha

black alpha phi alpha old gold

UA Founding Date
April 27, 1975
Famous Alumni
Thurgood Marshall, Martin Luther King Jr. & Jesse Owens
Symbol
Egyptian Sphinx
Colors
Black & Old Gold
Biggest Event
Miss Black and Gold Pageant



Two Alpha Phi Alphas do their part to keep Fayetteville clean. COURTESY PHOTO



Jamelle Brown, Antoine Dinka-Mba, Jonathan Edwards, Glen Jasper, DeMarquis Lloyd, Carl Mathis, Kyle Payne, Brandon Pickett, Cory Redden, Rufus Thrower III, Fourtune Utubor, Wes Weston, Brian Williams

carnation cardinal and straw

chi omega



Members of Chi Omega step during the AKA Unity Step Show. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS

UA Founding Date
April 5, 1895
Famous Alumni
Blanche Lincoln & Lucy Liu
Symbol
Owl
Colors
Cardinal & Straw
Biggest Event
The re-dedication of the Chi Omega Greek Theatre

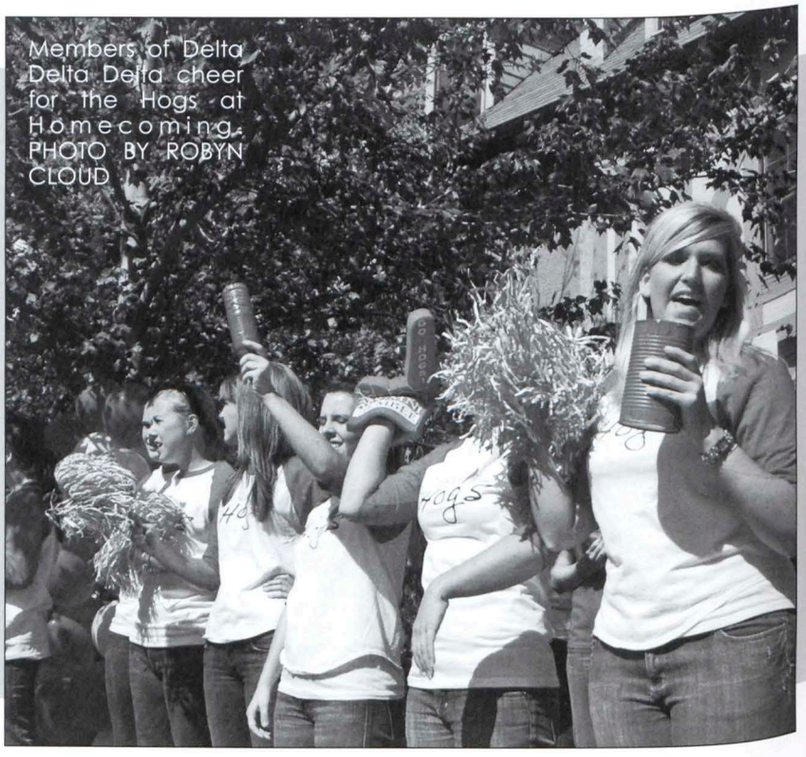


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dolphin pine tree delta delta delta pearl

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UA Founding Date
November 15, 1913
Famous Alumni
Farrah Fawcett & Donna Axum, Arkansas' first Miss America
Symbols
Dolphin, Pearl & Pine Tree
Colors
Blue, Gold & Silver
Biggest Event
Pancake Pig Out for St. Jude

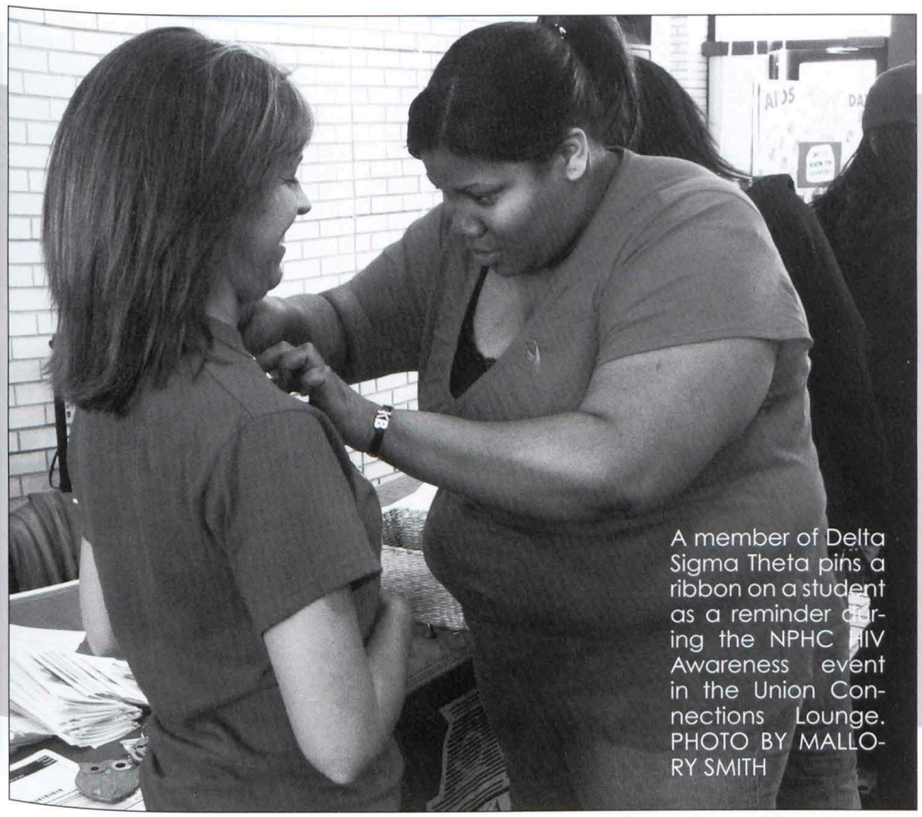


Members of Delta Delta Delta cheer for the Hogs at Homecoming. PHOTO BY ROBYN CLOUD



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A member of Delta Sigma Theta pins a ribbon on a student as a reminder during the NPHC HIV Awareness event in the Union Connections Lounge. PHOTO BY MALLORY SMITH

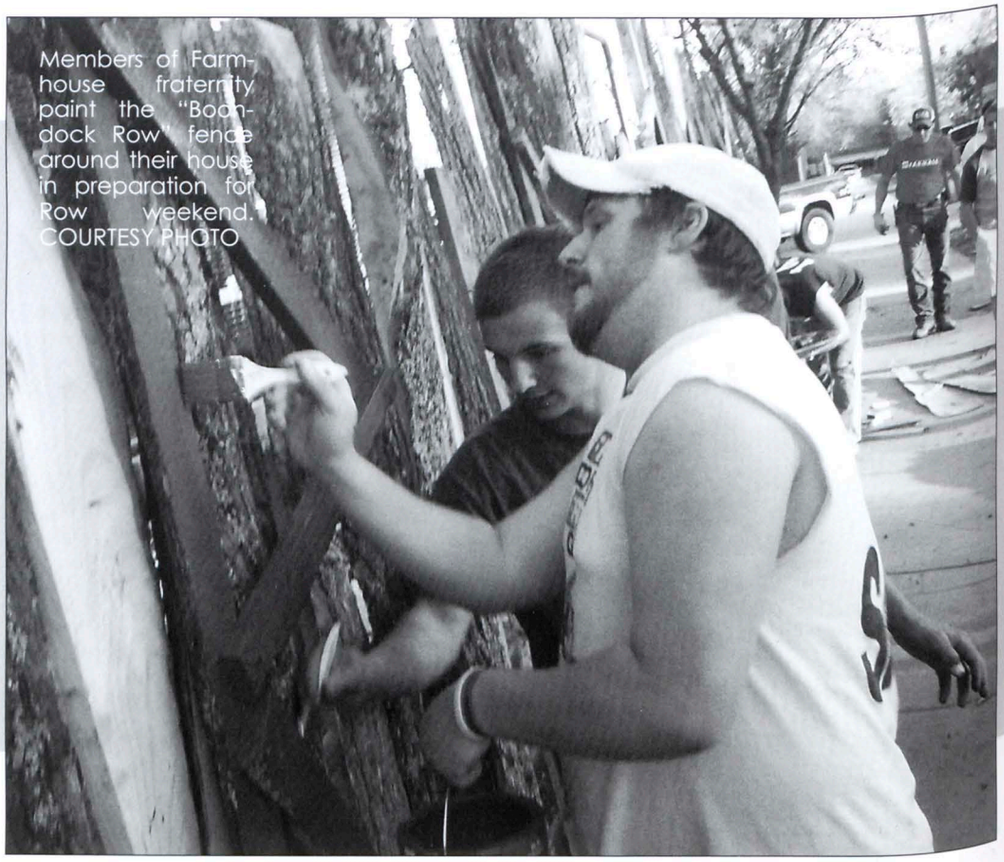
UA Founding Date
March 24, 1974
Famous Alumni
Shirley Chisholm &
Ruby Dee Davis
Symbol
Elephant
Colors
Crimson & Cream
Biggest Event
Hurricane Katrina Memorial



Latoya Allen, Morgan Armstrong, Jessica Bowers, Whitney Boyd, Latrice Duncan, Charity Forrest, Chanel Forte, Dalila Handy, Morgan Harper, Bronze Hill, Gigi Holder, Falon Horton, Catandra Johnson, Kendra Johnson, Leslie Johnson, Camilla Kelly, Tabitha Lee, Jona Mathis, Kara Mathews, h'Elena Pleasant, Kelly Williams

farmhouse

UA Founding Date
October 2, 1954
Famous Alumni
Pat Green
Symbols
Pearls & Rubies
Colors
Green, Gold & White
Biggest Event
Farmhouse Hay Ride

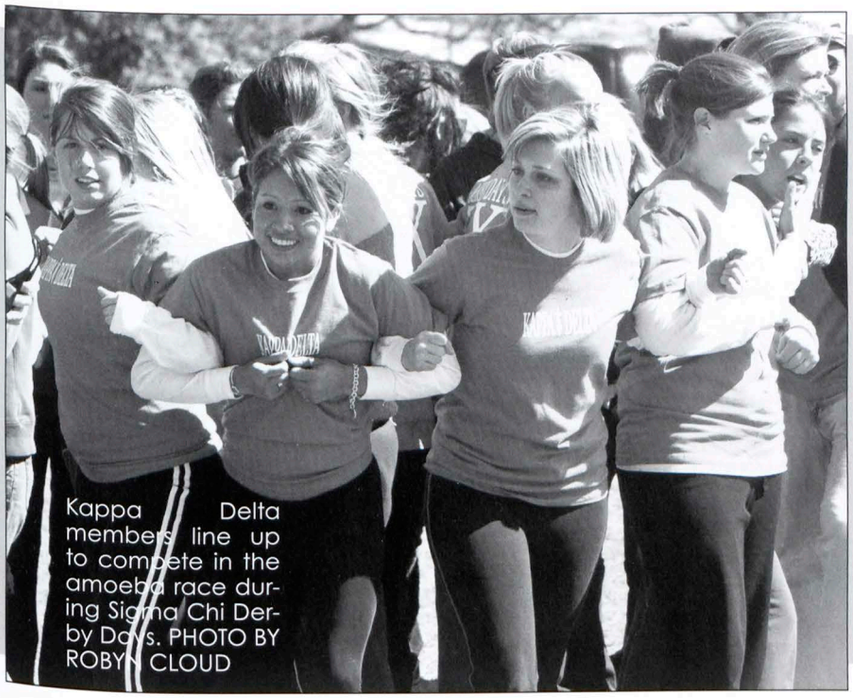


Members of Farmhouse fraternity paint the "Boondock Row" fence around their house in preparation for Row weekend. COURTESY PHOTO



Nathan Brown, Kris Bunnell, Joshua Evatt, T.J. Haynes, Grant Hunt, Clay Lance, Marcus Looney, Michael May, Ryan Siebenmorgen

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Kappa Delta members line up to compete in the amoeba race during Sigma Chi Derby Days. PHOTO BY ROBYN CLOUD

UA Founding Date
April 30, 1989
Famous Alumni
Ali Landry & Georgia O'Keeffe
Symbols
Dagger & Nautilus Shell
Colors
Olive Green & White
Biggest Event
Greekman Pageant

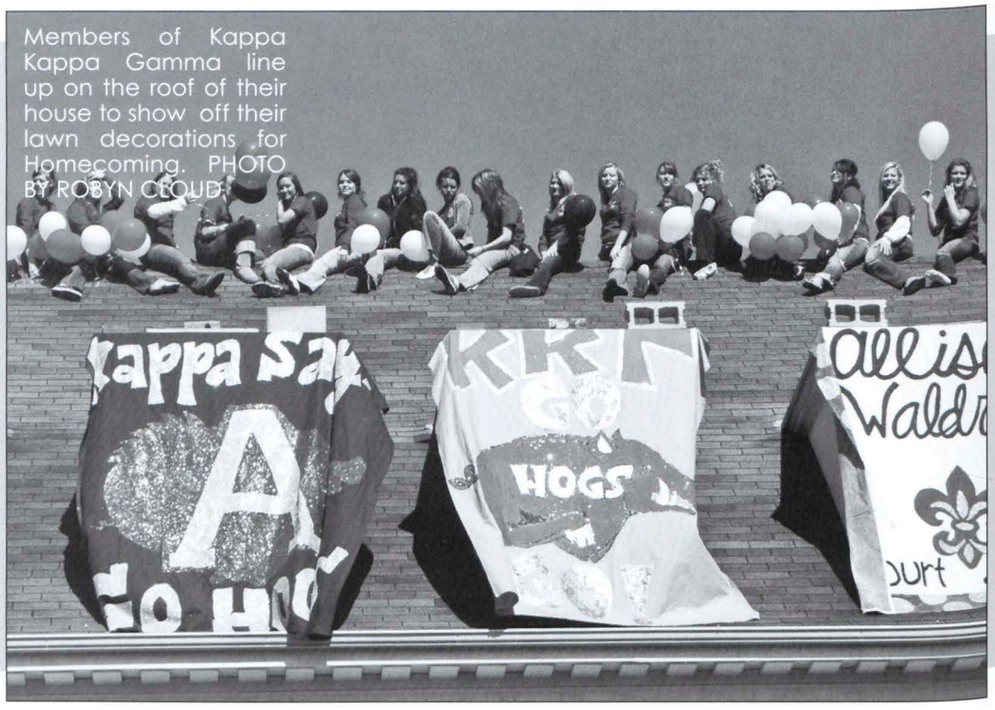


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owl fleur-de-lis key

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UA Founding Date
April 19, 1925
Famous Alumni
Ashley Judd
Symbols
Owl, Key & Fleur-de-lis
Colors
Light Blue & Dark Blue
Biggest Event
Kappa Con Queso

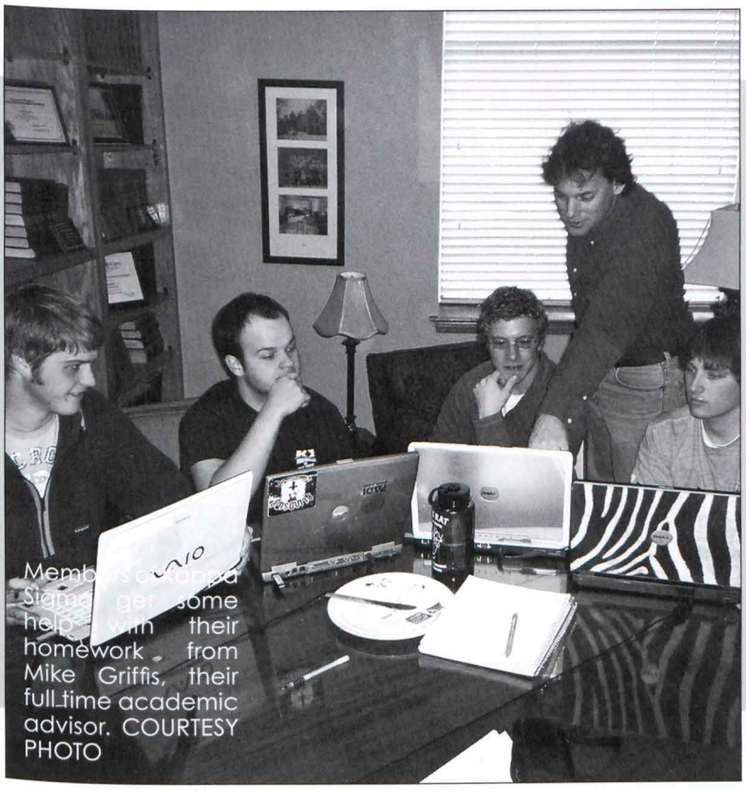


Members of Kappa Kappa Gamma line up on the roof of their house to show off their lawn decorations for Homecoming. PHOTO BY ROBYN CLOUD



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Members of Kappa Sigma get some help with their homework from Mike Griffis, their full-time academic advisor. COURTESY PHOTO

UA Founding Date
May, 29 1890
Famous Alumni
John Futrall, Jerry Jones
Symbols
Star & Crescent
Colors
Scarlet, White & Emerald Green
Biggest Event
Row Week Volleyball Tournament



John Aldworth, Joel Alexander, Steven Alexander, Jeff Allison, Stephen Allmond, Sean Alston, Tyler Anderson, Harvie Attwood, Hastings Atwood, Brian Bailey, Paul Becton, Ryan Belcher, Fletcher Bennett, Matthew Benson, Ryan Beserra, Ryan Bettis, Cory Biggs, Christian Bilheimer, Benjamin Blakeman, Chistopher Bobbitt, Jones Bobby, Jason Patrick Bobo, Justin Boeving, Tyler Bone, Byron Bowen, Parke Breedlove, Johnny Brewer, Will Brick, Matthew Brown, Tyler Brown, Nick Brant, Rivers Bryant, Weston Bryant, Brett Buresh, Tanner Burks, Sterling Burns, Phillip Carden, David Carlisle, Drew Carter, Joseph Case, Jon Chang, Lewis Chase, Adam Chudy, Chris Chunn, James Clark, Kyle Clark, Rob Clements, Craig Cockrell, Jared Coleman, Nicholas Coleman, Mitchell Cooper, Tyler Cooper, Brandon Corn, Scott Coulter, Bryant Crooks, Dustin Cross, Jake Curtis, Jeremy Curton, Jonathqn Davidson, Jeffrey Davis, Adam Day, Timothy Dejarnette, Andrew Delatin, Joe Denton, Keith Dickinson, John Doherty, Baxter Drennon, Jonas Dunnaway, James Dutton, Kelsey Edwards, Andrew Endicott, Shane Eoff, Jack Eubanks, Alex Fitzhugh, Justin Foshee, Luke Fries, Patrick Frizzell, Michael Gaskill, Joseph Gray, Chase Grounds, John Guerin, John Hager, Ben Hale, Scott Hale, John Halley, Zachary Harper, Adam Harrell, Dane Harris, Robert Hatchett, Scott Hayes, Steven Head, Aaron Heffington, Ross Hensley, Jonathan Hicks, Ryan Hicks, Alex Hoge, Bryan Holliday, Kyle Holmes, James Holton, Tanner Horn, Jacob Howell, Andrew Humphreys, Tyler Humphries, Lyle Hunsicker, Harrison Hunt, Randall Hurban, Chad Jarrell, Dustin Johnson, Jacob Johnson, Ryan Johnson, Blake Jones, Brad Jones, Welsey Jordan, Cody Kees, Austin King, Zach Kiser, Matthew Lamb, Nathan Lamb, Wesley Lamb, Joseph Lance, Scott Lar, Andrew LeNarz, Barrett Little, Weldon Locker, Chris Loewer, Daniel Loftin, Alex Long, Stanley Luker, Evan Maguire, Matthew Marsh, Ryan Mattiza, Jeremiah McCaslin, Jonathan McCaslin, Matt McClanahan, Brian McClure, Robert McClure, Chris McDearmon, Will McElrath, Tyler McMahan, John McMinn, Matt Milburn, Matt Miller, Rob Miller, T.J. Mohler, Jaffet Mooney, Jerry Morgan, Nick Nabholz, Phil Neri, Tyler Newton, Corey Nichols, John Noland, Chase Osborne, Matt Ozee, Tyler Pack, Jake Para, Jared Para, Jason Pelton, Justin Pierce, Phillip Pool, Caleb Poole, Jordan Powell, Andrew Prendergast, Charles Preist III, Thomas Pryor, Ben Radcliffe, Patrick Reed, Will Richards, Trey Richardson, Jacob Todd Roberts, William Roberts, Clint Roth, Will Roth, Tyler Royer, Joshua Rupe, Austin Samples, Colin Savells, Jake Scott, Trey Shaw III, Mason Shirey, Derek Simpson, Chris Skelton, William Slabaugh, William Smith IV, Brad Smith, Charles Smith, Daniel Smith, Keaton Smith, Sam Stacy, Josh Stanfill, Mac Stephen, Chase Studevant, Channin Tacito, Preston Tackett, Phillip Tomlinson, Jordan Tortorich, Jared Truelove, Brandon Trusell, Robert Turley, John Turpin, Luke Vammen, Anthony Westeinde, Kasey Walker, Michael Warren, Jonathan Welch, Robert Wells, Wade Westmoreland, Caleb Whiteside, Quinten Whiteside, Jackson Whitfield, Zach Williams, Alex Wilson, Kevin Woodworth, Adam Woolard

lambda chi alpha

UA Founding Date
May 23, 1925
Famous Alumni
Harry S. Truman
Symbols
White Rose, Cross & Crescent
Colors
Purple, Green & Gold
Biggest Event
Watermelon Bust



Members of Lambda Chi Alpha host the Watermelon Bust on their front Lawn. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS



Derek Abrams, David Arnold, Adam Becker, Trevor Behm, Brent Bejarano, Justin Bentley, David Bingham, Patrick Bowen, Daniel Bright, Greg Brittain, Kyle Britton, Justin Brooks, Ryan Buck, Blake Burckart, Ranger Cargile, Kevin Casey, Jeff Chiu, Alex Clark, Patrick Clark, Seth Claus, Nick Corcoran, Brad Crossfield, Tyler Cukar, Jeb Davis, Lee Davis, Rob Dillion, Grant DuBois, Robert Dudley, Robert Duncan, Alex Edington, Cody Elrod, Tanner Erickson, Tristan Evans, Brandon Ferguson, Justin Ferguson, Colby Fingerhut, Bret Fleck, Alex Font, Jason Frans, Dave Gelman, Will Gilchrist, Nate Gray, Peyton Greenwald, Wes Greer, Carl Gremminger, Andy Guinn, Derek Hall, David Hanger, Burt Hicks, Patrick Hoffman, Gareth Hollis, Zack Hulett, Michael Hylden, Harrison Johnson, Tanner Kilburn, Mason Kirksey, Ryan Knauer, Stephen Koehler, Ross Lawerence, Drew Ledbetter, Austin Lewis, Trae Lindley, Jubal Lindsay, Mark Lorge, John Mallory, Ramsey Marshall, Brady Martin, John Mason, Duane McClellan, Nick McCurry, Cole Meger, Garrett Meier, Tyler Mills, Taylor Mooney, Eric Morrison, Adam Mowery, Bryan Muehleman, Dave Mumert, Garrett Myers, Rob Myers, Stephen Napurano, Stephan Nazarian, Joe Neubauer, John Nguyen, Joey Noga, Daivd Orr, Drew Parsons, Ruben Paulino, Marc Phan, Will Phillips, Tyler Prude, Casey Reep, Kyle Rice, Jason Ryburn, Ben Sapp, Dave Sawyer, Kit Schirmer, Hans Schleimer, Brad Schuck, Nathan Seitz, Brandon Sheard, Andrew Shelor, Robert Spears, Kyle Starek, Jack Steinhafel, Jordan Steinhaus, Shea Tedford, Nash Thomas, Jordan Thompson, Phillip Thrift, Kendall Tran, Bryce Tritt, Brad Underwood, Matt Vaccarro, Aaron Vasgaard, Drew Waddell, Thomas Welch, Kevin White, Jamie Willbanks, Blake Williams, Brandon Wingfield, Steve Wright, Will Young, Ryan Youngblood

omega psi phi



Omega Psi Phi members perform a step show at the Union mall. COURTESY PHOTO

UA Founding Date
December 7, 1974
Famous Alumni
Corliss Williamson & Ken Hamlin
Colors
Royal Purple & Old Gold
Biggest Event
Que Week



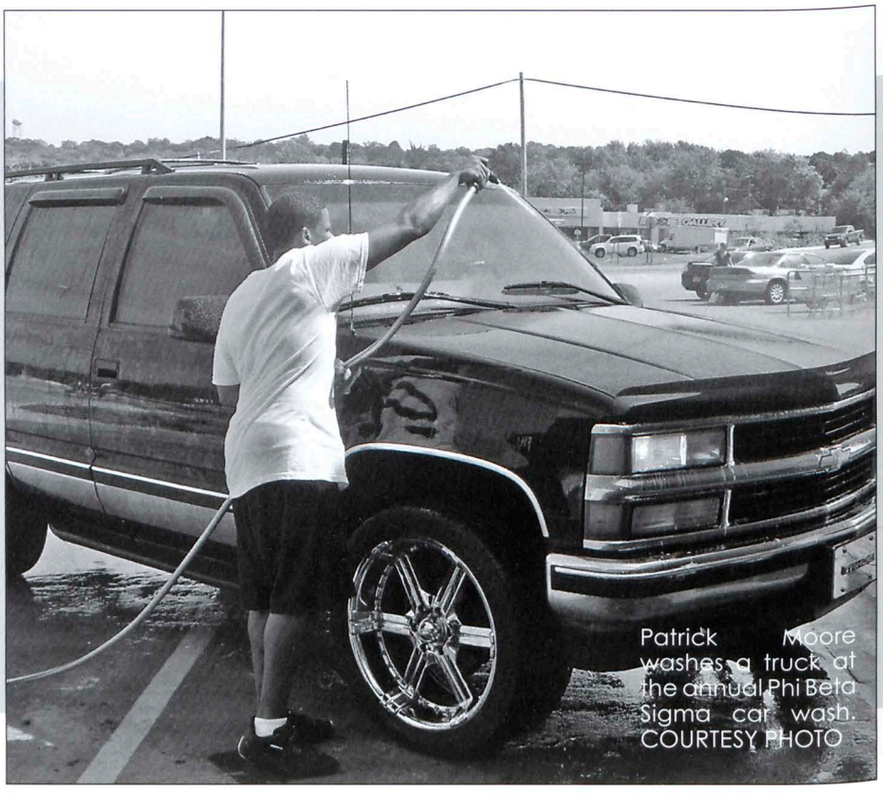
Active Members: Hezekiah Gatson, Jonathan Modica, Stephon Latham, Devin Trader, Trevin Ware

carnation dove

phi beta sigma

phi beta sigma pure white

UA Founding Date
Spring 1978
Famous Alumni
Jerry Rice
Symbols
Carnation & Dove
Colors
Royal Blue & Pure White
Biggest Event
Sigma Week



Patrick Moore washes a truck at the annual Phi Beta Sigma car wash. COURTESY PHOTO



Patrick Moore, Derek Davis, and Quantrell Willis

phi delta theta



A representative of Phi Delta Theta performs during the Greekman Pageant. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN

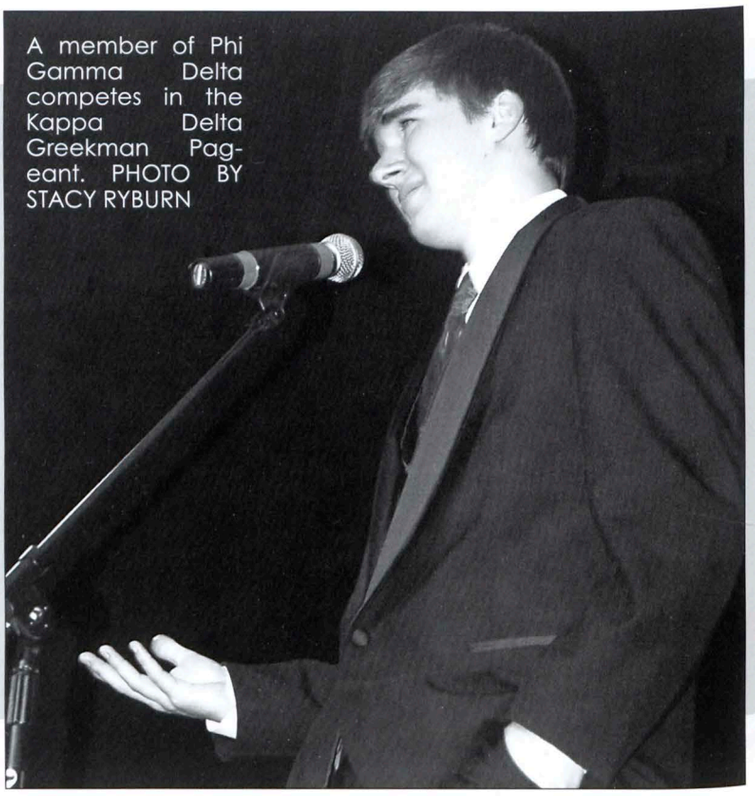
UA Founding Date
October 8, 1948
Famous Alumni
John Tyson, Tyson Foods, Inc. CEO
Symbols
Sword & Shield
Colors
Ardent & Azure
Biggest Event
Casino Night to benefit Arkansas Children's Hospital



Wes Allen, Matt Allen, James Allen, Jimmy Anderson, Nick Andrews, Matthew Angulo, Addison Anthony, Scott Bacon, William Bailey, Austin Barclay, Chandler Barron, David Bartlett, Reid Beauchamp, Jeffrey Bemberg, Philip Bemberg, Alex Beneke, John Benton, John Benton, Chris Berezansky, Josh Biddulph, Brad Booth, Landon Boykin, Ryan Bridges, Ryan Bridges, Brad Briggs, Ben Buergler, Ray Burbank, David Burgher, Peter Burrow, Owen Canfield, Christopher Carland, Andrew Carle, Reed Chandler, Brian Cherry, Jeff Chipman, Tim Ciabocchi, Luke Clements, Alistair Cook, Dewitt Corrigan, Will Creyer, Caleb Cross, Robert Darnell, Blake Davis, John Dean, Brett DeCoursey, Drew Dejocio, Daivd Del Sol, Gregory Delung, Jeffrey Dickason, Joe Dickson, Chase Diemer, John Douville, Blake Downing, Brent Dunham, Miles Eason, Jacob Evans, Grant Feltner, Eric Felton, Morgan Flynn, Taylor Friesenhahn, Zach Gairhan, Zach Garrison, Wesley George, Ryan Gibson, Zach Glover, Matthew Green, Patrick Grinnan, Niklas Harper, Tyler Hayes, Hamilton Hedrick, Wes Henry, Brad Hesselbein, Andrew Hinojosa, Grayson Hinojosa, Matt Holliman, Seth Hollingsworth, William Hoofman, Jake Houser, Blake Howard, Eric Hurley, Bill Jacobs, Seth Jewell, Jordan Jones, Jordin Jones, Nick Kalina, Jarrett Karrington, Will Keener, Michael Lane, Marshall Laney, Max Lavie, Michael Lay, John Leach, Matthey Lehner, Mark Leinhart, Paul Lincicome, John Livingston, Andrew Manning, Matt Marshall, Phillip Matlock, Michael McBride, Tyler McGhee, Zack McKinnon, Michael Mitchell, Justus Moll, Chris Moore, Will Morrow, Stephen Muawad, Matt Newman, Chris Newton, Alex Neirling, Hunter Nunn, Ryan O'Quinn, Brett Parker, Christopher Pezoulas, Shawn Philpot, Keith Pipho, Chase Pitner, Greg Post, Colt Puterbaugh, William Putman, Dylan Ray, Joey Richie, Matt Robertson, Brent Robinson, Rodrigo Rojas, Gabriel Rojas, Kirk Schaffer, Spencer Shadrach, Ryan Shannon, Robert Sharp, Ben Short, John Schults, Michael Shuman, Brandon Smith, Jay Staley, Matt Stauffer, Chris Stec, Jeff Stotts, Aaron Strobel, Matt Strom, Kyle Stroud, Bo Taliaferro, Ian Vanuen, Austin Villanueva, Derek Villemez, Paul Waddell, Austin Watkins, Richard Watkins, Cody Webb, Trey Wetzel, Justin Whiddon, Nick White, Jordan Wright

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UA Founding Date
May 10, 1969
Famous Alumni
Johnny Carson
Symbol
Black Diamond
Colors
Purple & White
Biggest Event
Fiji Islander



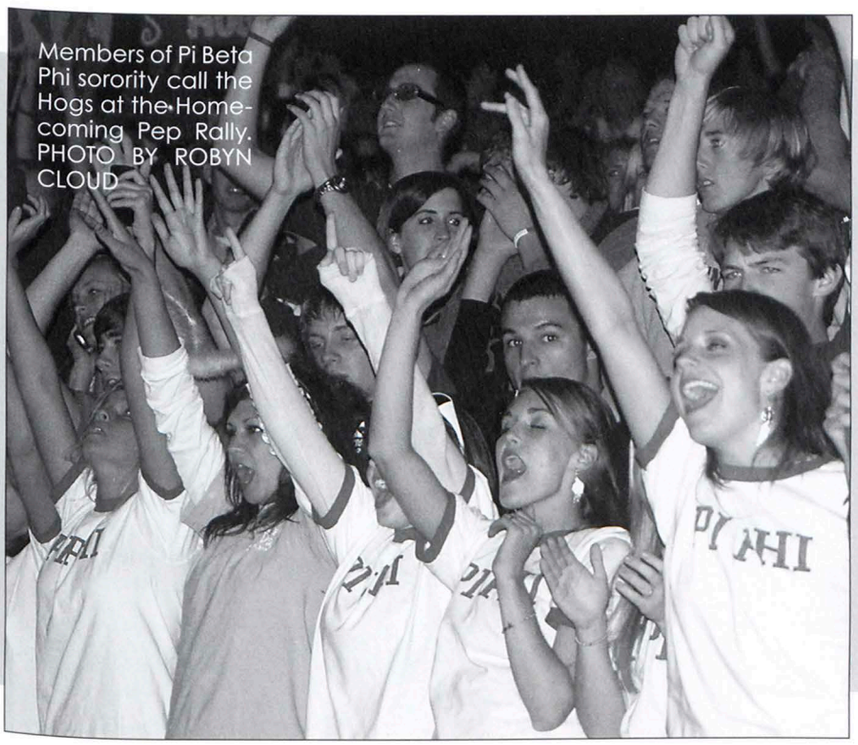
A member of Phi Gamma Delta competes in the Kappa Delta Greekman Pageant. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN



Aaron Ablondi, Tyler Angel, Tyler Barham, Cameron Brown, Jeff Burns, Alex Burris, Carter Calico, Sean Cannon, Dave Carver, Jamey Chase, Brady Cress, Chad Devoll, Bo Dougherty, Eric Fay, Derek Gordon, Mark Harshfield, Trey Harshfield, Colin Harvill, Blake Hierholzer, Parker Higgs, Eric Hoyt, Alex Irving, Anthony Jones, Bobby Kirwan, Alex Knight, Adam Loos, Charles McDougal, Steven McKee, Russell Moore, Mark Newlin, Steve Phillips, John Ridley, Ryan Ruffing, Brian Sargent, Adam Sartin, Brett Selly, Mitch Slaughter, Evan Stallings, Tyler Suddereth, Adam Teague, Andrew Wangler, Frankie Whitehead, Ryan Wilmes

wine and silver blue

pi beta phi



Members of Pi Beta Phi sorority call the Hogs at the Homecoming Pep Rally. PHOTO BY ROBYN CLOUD

UA Founding Date
1909
Famous Alumni
Jennifer Garner
Symbols
Arrows & Angels
Colors
Wine & Silver Blue
Biggest Event
Family Weekend 5K benefiting Children's Literacy

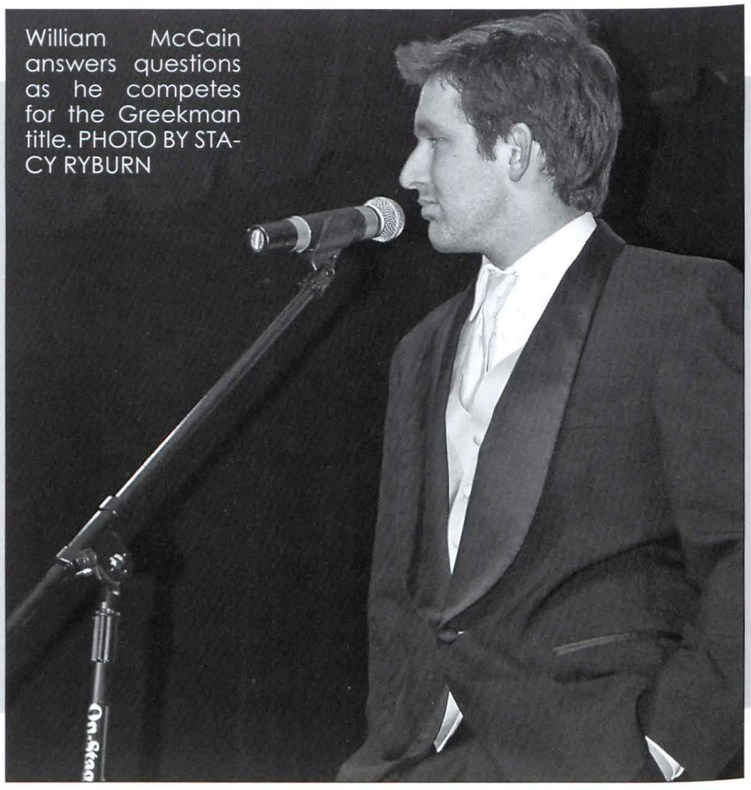


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garnet & old gold

pi kappa alpha

UA Founding Date
November 2, 1904
Famous Alumni
Lance Alworth, professional football player
Symbol
Fire Truck, Dagger & Key
Colors
Garnet & Old Gold
Biggest Event
Riverboat

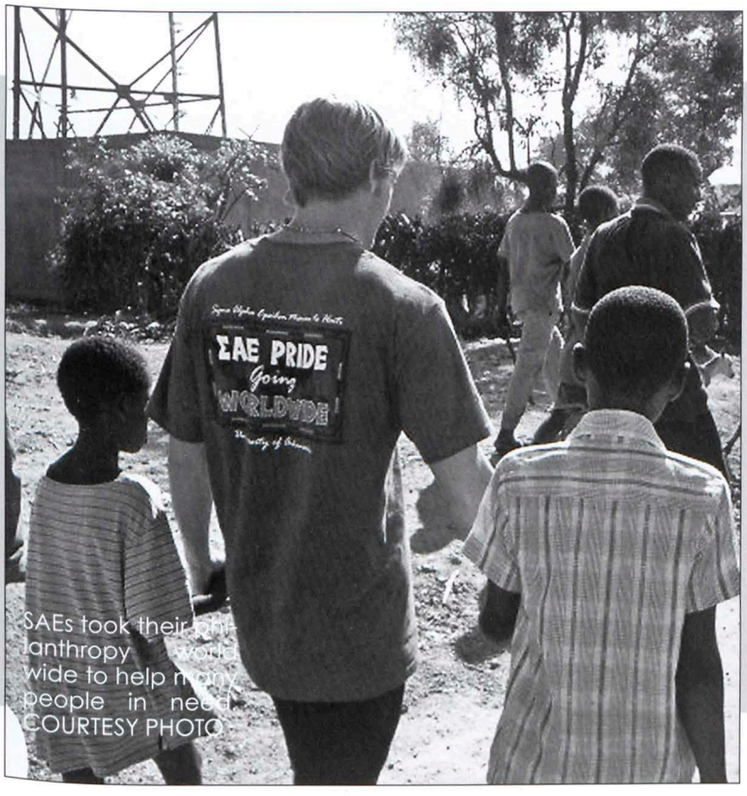


William McCain answers questions as he competes for the Greekman title. PHOTO BY STACY RYBURN



Brian Barnett, Jonathon Bednar, Drew Beine, Andrew Bickel, Zachary Bilyk, Ross Blackshear, Ted Blackshear, Adam Bohannon, Bradley Brown, Eric Brown, Justin Bulla, Britton Burnett, Cameron Burnett, Jared Burns, Chase Caldwell, Scott Caylor, Jonathan Chick, Phillip Cleves, Martin Clingly, Cody Copher, Jeffrey Corkran, Spencer Dailey, Mike DeSanto, Ben Dworkis, Dylan Edwards, Andrew Ellenburg, Danny Fisher, Justin Foss, Nick Garrett, Greg Giesecke, Matt Gintonio, Matthew Goode, Adam Grasser, Alex Griffith, Danny Hammack, Brandon Harris, Thomas Harris, Jacob Hunter, Tom Jensen, Bill Johnson, Kyle Johnson, Chase Johnston, Jake Jones, Mark Kimbrough, Wesley Kirk, Allan Krygowski, Zach Lambertsen, Joey Mackey, William McCain, Jacob McConnell, Jaron McTee, Matthew Medlock, Michael Meissner, Bradley Meredith, Jonathan Michlik, Shane Moses, Hunter Mott, Michael Nicodemus, Matt Nye, Andres Ormachea, Shane Orr, Andy Parks, Sean Patton, Chris Petrawski, Steven Reeves, Jonathan Riddell, AJ Rizzo, Zach Rolle, Shawn Russell, Clayton Shafer, Billy Shaw, Jeffrey Simmons, Eric Smith, Blake Smith, Patrick Smith, Rob Storms, James Swann, Josh Sykes, Jon Taylor, Lance Taylor, Braydon Thomas, Jacob Tipton, Justin Todd, James Tullis, Ryan Van Pelt, Christopher Warzecha, Erik Wekkin, Jarred White, Jacob Wilson, Brett Wish

sigma alpha epsilon



SAEs took their philanthropy ... wide to help many people in need. COURTESY PHOTO

UA Founding Date
July 9, 1894
Famous Alumni
Senator Mark Pryor
Symbol
Phoenix & Minerva
Colors
Royal Purple & Old Gold
Biggest Event
Catfish Row



John Alexander, Tyler Arnold, Eric Arthur, Beau Baldwin, Ben Barnett, Barrett Barsamian, Chase Batson, Jesse Becton, Barrett Belew, Jeremy Belknap, Jesse Belt, Cole Bezner, Rory Bradney, Sonny Brainerd, Sean Bramble, Tyler Brett, Josh Callaway, Andrew Caroll, Chad Carroll, Michael Clifford, Jonathan Cloar, Jacob Coleman, Jonathan Coleman, Jeremy Collins, Brock Cooper, Brandon Corley, Morgan Cox, Austin Crain, Robert Cress, David Deaderick, John DeForest, Tom Dougherty, Matt Duckett, Addison Dunn, Austin Easley, Doug Eddy, Benjamin Falkner, Justin Farmer, Ben Faubel, Nick Foster, Tyler Fuller, James Gammill, Troy Gasiner, Richard Gillham, Adam Glasier, Drew Glazer, John Gunther, Courter Hall, Laurence Hammond, Aaron Harris, Brad Hickey, John Hiller, Matt Holman, Michael Humphries, Ross Ingram, Clark Irwin, Blake Jacks, Bryce Jones, Joey Keffler, Andrew Kincannon, Jordan Kiser, Joseph Lacy, John Landis, Titus Laney, Ryan Leach, John Lee, Zack Lewis, Alan Lorince, William Mabry, Charlie Mackey, Josh Madden, Nick Makris, Ben Mannatt, Clay Mason, Chase McCracken, Steven McCrary, Tyler McGee, Chris McQueen, Jonathan Million, Landon Montgomery, Lawson Moody, Reed Moody, Matthew Moore, John Morel, Matt Mozzoni, Patrick Murphy, Chris Nassar, Britt Neel, Jason Nickerson, Thomas Orr, David Page, Matt Parker, Andy Petton, Spencer Piland, Jake Potter, Josh Potter, Miles Purnell, Chris Rittlemeyer, Josh Robbins, Graydon Rochelle, Ford Rogers, Ben Rosenheck, David Routon, Joel Sanders, Stephen Sanders, Michael Schwarz, Will Scoggins, Toler Shepherd, Curt Shipper, Ross Shively, Kyle Short, Daniel Simpson, Walter Simpson, Matt Slife, Alex Smith, Greg Smith, Will Smith, Jacob Spears, Peter Stanley, Bill Steele, Mackenzie Sullivan, Steve Swenholt, Zack Taylor, Josh Tennyson, Colin Tucker, Thomas Vo, James Walker, Eric Watford, Sam Watson, Stephen Waugh, Nathan Weiler, Blake Wilkerson, Hunter Williamson, Weston Woods, Jacob Wright, Spencer Wright, Caleb Yerton, Zeke Zachry

blue sigma chi old gold sigma chi

UA Founding Date
September 1905
Famous Alumni
David Letterman
Symbol
White Cross
Colors
Blue & Old Gold
Biggest Event
Derby Days benefitting
Children's Miracle Network

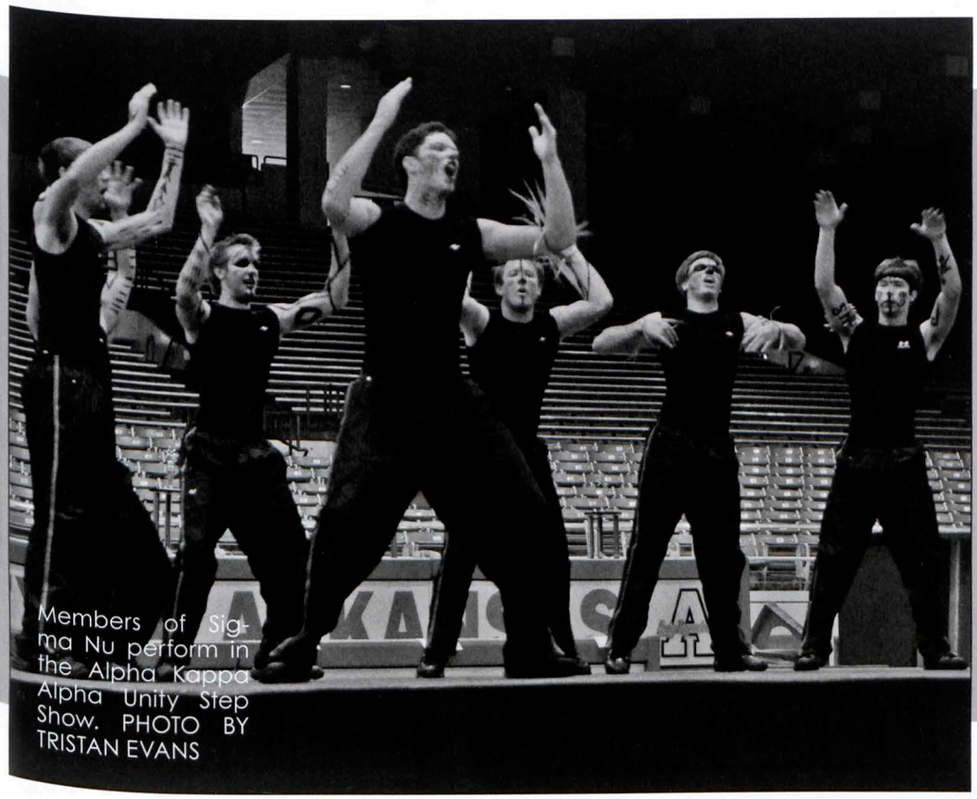


A Sigma Chi coach is carried by a team of Tri Delts in the "Carry the Coach" Derby Days event. PHOTO BY ROBYN CLOUD



Zach Alexander, Hayes Anthony, Hunter Anthony, Carey Antoon, Richard Appleton, Lance Barber, Robert Beach, Adam Bell, Eric Bell, Justin Bell, Fred Black, Ross Bland, Alex Blass, Bryan Boone, Austin Boyce, Andrew Boyd, Jamie Boyd, Ralph Bradbury, Willy Brehm, Robert Bridewell, William Bridewell, Beau Britton, Matt Brunson, Wes Buchman, Alex Buckley, Adam Buerkle, Bradley Burch, Trey Burch, Ben Cargill, Adam Carlson, JD Chambliss, Brent Coker, Thomas Cole, Alex Collier, David Cooke, Jordan Cox, Stephen Cox, Brian Crouch, Nick Culpepper, John Curtis, Kyle Daniels, Nathan Davis, Todd Davis, Chad Dayton, Taylor Denniston, Drew Dolan, Clark Donat, Devin Drake, Alex Dunklin, Jamie Dutton, Jake Earney, Jonathan Evins, Landon Ezell, Nick Fair, Peter Farmer, Daniel Filipek, Josh Filipek, Eric Flagg, Seth Gentry, Greg Georgas, Jake Gerrard, Matthew Gerrard, Andrew Gill, Jay Glover, Ryan Godfrey, Matt Graves, Nick Green, Jordan Greer, Chris Hall, Cody Hammons, Brad Handloser, Carter Harbuck, William Harper, Grant Hastings, Colby Helffrich, Colin Helffrich, Joseph Henry, Holt Hestir, Zach Higgs, Wade Hill, Josh Hite, Trip Hollowell, Matt Holman, Chris Howe, Joel Huffman, Michael Hyatt, Matt Inman, Hudgens Jeter, Brent Johnson, Lance Johnson, Kenny Kincaid, Sam Kirkpatrick, Will Lacy, Scott Labert, Hamilton LaRoe, Craig Lechtenberg, Mason Lewis, Drew Ligon, Nate Looney, David Machen, Will Mangrum, Tyler McClendon, JB McConnell, Ross McDaniel, Cody McGrath, Zach McGrath, Chance Milam, John Miller, Drew Milner, Daniel Minton, Robert Moery, Mic Montgomery, Will Moore, Wynne Morgan, Trey Morris, Jeff Morrison, Caleb Olsen, Patrick Papagolos, Greg Parker, Warren Parker, Justin Petrus, Tyler Pettigrew, Lawson Plafcan, Chris Poff, Justin Poff, Robbie Polk, Will Porter, Calvin Puryear, Eric Ralston, Clay Ramey, Taylor Ramey, Jackson Ratcliff, Matt Reith, Andrew Ritchie, Wes Roberson, Sidney Robnett, Charles Roscopf, Zeb Scott, Sam Selig, Roger Shafer, John Shaw, Nathan Shaw, Hayden Sherman, Sean Shrum, Turner Sibley, Luke Siler, Drew Simmons, Carson Smith, Corey Smith, Jason Smith, Zack Smith, Justin Sowder, Drew Stoner, Noah Strom, Keegan Surface, Eric Sward, Nicholas Thicksten, Clayton Thomas, Hunter Thomason, Ryan Tyler, Stephen Ussery, Bear Van Ness, Charlie Van Ness, John Vandersteeg, Crews Veazey, Ben Von Kanel, Todd Vorsanger, Nathan Waldrip, Madison Walker, Thomas Walsh, Matthew Warden, Michael Waters, Jimmy Watson, Evan Watts, Jimbo Welch, Litt Westbrook, Brent Whisnant, Godfrey White, Josh Wilson

black, gold & white
sigma nu



Members of Sigma Nu perform in the Alpha Kappa Alpha Unity Step Show. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS

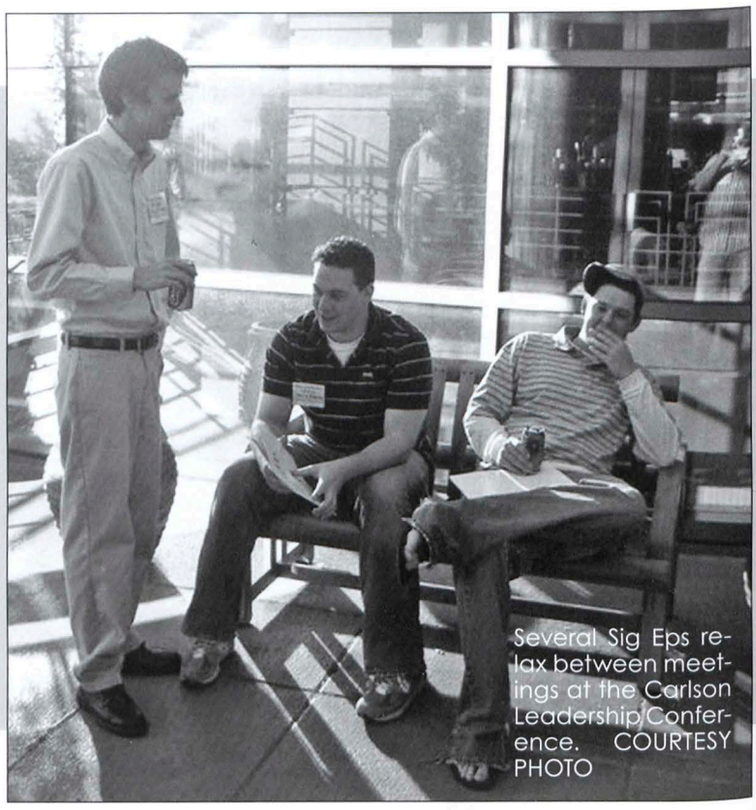
UA Founding Date
1904
Famous Alumni
Bob Barker
Symbol
Snake
Colors
Black, Gold & White
Biggest Event
Sigma Nu Sadie



Chris Abel, Waylon Abernathy, Kyle Ashabrenner, Bill Bond, Tyler Bottje, Andrew Brewer, Cameron Browning, Brooks Cameron, Cary Cameron, Curtis Campbell, Chad Carmichael, Scott Carnes, Matt Carroll, Matt St. Clair, Jeff Cope, Alan Cowger, Reagan Dalby, Andrew Dargen, Adam Fairbourn, Justin Felts, Micah Fritsche, Spencer Fuller, Brian Garner, Anthony Gay, Chad Gibson, Kyle Hagelin, Curtis Hall, Evan Hamilton, Jake Heathley, Shayne Henry, Bryce Holland, Ryan Human, Tyler Hunt, Nick Jaber, Ryan Lazenby, Spencer Lucker, Shawn Marhanka, Adam Martin, Jeremy Martin, Andy McCann, Mark Morgan, Zane Myers, Ben Nye, Alex Okrzesik, Michael Okrzesik, Zac Pacheco, Tommy Pevehouse, Jonathan Powell, David Proffitt, John Prophet, Tyler Reis, Gareth Rogers, Charlie Russell, Stuart Sanders, Matt Scott, Justin Selby, John Sherrill, Anthony Sinbandhit, Daniel Skillern, Jared Skinner, Brandon Spicher, Brandon Starr, Caleb Stein, Tripp Still, Seth Terry, Jamie Thorton, Michael Viggiano, Luke Vince, Drew Westbrook

sigma phi epsilon

UA Founding Date
September 16, 1907
Famous Alumni
John Goodman
Symbols
Golden Heart & Balanced Man
Colors
Purple & Red
Biggest Event
South of the Border



Several Sig Eps relax between meetings at the Carlson Leadership Conference. COURTESY PHOTO



Wade Bailey, Aaron Baker, Tyler Barret, Vince Biondo, John Butler, Estevan Cantu, Greg Creamer, Ed Cupioli, Lee Deaton, Drew Dixon, David Estes, Tate Finkbeiner, Clayton Fiscus, Blake Franklin, Ramsay Fulbright, Thomas Fulcher, Orlando Gonzalez, Ryan Hamilton, Mike Hammel, Victor Harris, Trey Holt, Michael Ivers, Eben Jones, Chad Kaetzer, Steven King, Darrin Lee, Jacob Lee, David Light, Greyson Longtin, John Moore, Derek Morelock, Greg McCarroll, Tyler Norton, Adam Parham, Graham Powell, Nick Roberts, Robert Rorie, Nolan Schutze, Seth Sherrill, Brad Siahmakoun, Stu Smith, Bryan Speed, Billy Springer, Aaron Thompson, Dave Thompson, Joe Tyler, Kirk Turnbo, Drew Van Patterm Jeff Welch, Jason West, Spencer White, John Winans, Robert Wooldridge

zeta phi beta



Members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority conduct their weekly meeting. COURTESY PHOTO

UA Founding Date
May 5, 1978
Famous Alumni
Dionne Warwick
Symbols
Cat & Dove
Colors
Royal Blue & Pure White
Biggest Event
Sleep Out for the Homeless
Annual Community Service
Program

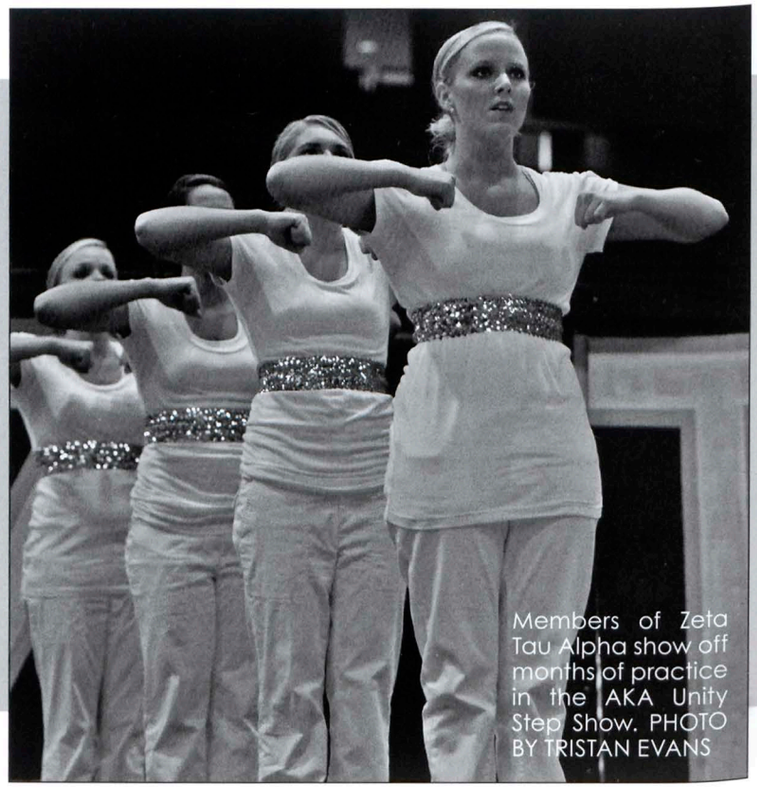


Shonda Brown, Sharon Matthews, Angel Chapple

zeta tau alpha

strawberry violet crown

UA Founding Date
December 18, 1903
Famous Alumni
Delta Burke
Symbols
Strawberry, Crown & White Violet
Colors
Turquoise Blue & Steel Gray
Biggest Event
Breast Cancer Awareness Month



Members of Zeta Tau Alpha show off months of practice in the AKA Unity Step Show. PHOTO BY TRISTAN EVANS



Sarah Aasby, Meagan Abell, Sarah Aderhold, Sarah Akers, Jennifer Albright, Autumn Allison, Ashley Andler, Morgan Bailey, Sarah Barbot, Heather Barnes, Michelle Baron, Mary Katherine Bentley, Lauren Bilheimer, Kat Biondo, Hailey Blanchard, Mallory Boteler, Heather Boydson, Amber Bradley, Mallory Brenner, Katey Brown, Mandy Brown, Sara Brown, Liz Bryant, Nikki Burch, Brittany Buzbee, Carrie Campbell, McKinley Case, Kate Childers, Natasha Clark, Lauren Clay, Christina Clemens, Morgan Cole, Krista Coonts, Lindsey Cooper, Kimberly Crow, Lindsay Crump, Jami Cuddy, Kali Davis, Hailey Dearman, Melody Dittmer, Carly Dixon, Mollie Dougan, Britt Dunford, Taryn Dunlap, Sydney Dunning, Mary Anne Durham, Ashley Eager, Maria English, Michaela Erskin, Roni Farrin, Kenzie Ferguson, Megan Fluger, Carey Fowler, Kaitlin Freeman, Meagan Fritts, Abby Frizzell, Emily Fruge, Brooke Fuller, Sarah Gallegos, Heather Garner, Lindsey Garoutte, Megan Gillihan, Allison Green, Katya Griffiths, Kirby Griggs, Leslie Hall, Marcy Hall, Ashlee Hamilton, Amanda Hampel, Libby Haney, JaneAnn Hansen, Kimberly Harding, Kayla Harlow, Alex Harper, Ashton Hartner, Alex Head, Maggie Hediger, Tarah Hill, Logan Hocutt, Melissa Horvath, Elizabeth Houston, Rebecca Houston, Rachel Howells, Meg Hoyt, Lauren Hryorchuk, Kristin Hughes, Julia Humphrey, Laurel Hurley, Whitney Jameson, Kjerstie Johnson, Hannah Jones, Katie Jones, Lyndsey Kepesky, Whitney Key, Chaley Kidd, Allison Kimbrough, Alexandra Kosmitis, Kristin Kosmitis, Jessica LaMar, Haley Lamb, Spencer Lamb, Callie Layer, Lindsey Lee, Christine Lietzke, Britnee Linker, Allison Littleton, Cameron Lively, Christina Longinotti, Heather Love, Lauren Love, Brooke Lunsford, Allison Lyon, Jill Martin, Krystal McAnaw, Caroline McIntyre, Lindy Medlock, Jessa Mehlhoff, Pauli Mitchell, Mary Ann Moody, Andrea Mooney, Michelle Morris, Kayla Moschner, Amy Moudy, Kasey Mullis, Keeley Mullis, Jamie Mulwee, Alecia Nafziger, Jessica Neal, Paige Newcomb, Megan Nicholson, Meg Nobile, Natalie Norman, Meredith Norton, Kate O'Donnell, Lauren Parker, Tiffany Phelps, Hailey Phillips, Kelsey Phillips, Kimberly Pistole, Brooke Plack, CeCe Plafcan, Celeste Posey, Suzanne Potts, Kristen Privett, Paige Puckett, Molly Putman, Lauren Rau, Stephanie Ray, Megan Reed, Julianna Register, Nicole Revella, Erin Reynolds, Camille Risch, Julie Ritchie, Miranda Roberts, Amy Robinson, Lauren Rodkin, Tiffany Rowlan, Haley Russell, Loren Rutledge, Kristen Saporito, Meredith Schafer, Emily Schnittker, Morgan Scott, Brianne Sharp, Rickey Sinks, Emily Smith, Liz Smith, Brittney Speights, Kelli Steed, Katie Swant, Kelsey Tapp, Marty Thetford, Michelle Tinker, Jaclyn Ulmer, Devin Van Patter, Tiffany Vest, Jenny Wagner, Erin Walsh, Breana Watkins, Lauren Watkins, Whitney White, Brittany Wilks, Mandy Williams, Jessica Winberry, Kelsey Winchester, Helen Wisner, Jessica Wood, Katie Wood, Laura Woods, Natalie Woodward, Kaley Wren

outstanding order of omega

ORDER OF OMEGA

Outstanding Faculty Member
Dub Ashton - Sam M. Walton College of Business

Greek Hall of Fame
Steven Hinds - Lambda Chi Alpha

Outstanding Senior
Emily Striegler - Kappa Kappa Gamma
Baxter Drennon - Kappa Sigma
Quinten Whiteside - Kappa Sigma

Outstanding Junior
Elizabeth Busby - Pi Beta Phi
Robert Wells - Kappa Sigma

Outstanding Sophomore
Chelsea Rose - Chi Omega
Cody Kees - Kappa Sigma

Model Initiate
Mattie Bookhout - Pi Beta Phi
Andrew Ritchie - Sigma Chi

Award of Excellence
Chi Omega
Delta Delta Delta
Kappa Delta
Kappa Kappa Gamma
Lambda Chi Alpha
Pi Beta Phi
Delta Sigma Theta
Zeta Tau Alpha

PANHELLENIC COUNCIL

Outstanding Chapter President
Emily Striegler - Kappa Kappa Gamma
Katie O'Donnell - Zeta Tau Alpha

Outstanding Panhellenic Delegate
Emily Burrow - Kappa Delta
Chelsea Rose - Chi Omega

Greek Woman of the Year
Katie Raines - Chi Omega

Academic Excellence
Kappa Kappa Gamma

Panhellenic Spirit Award
Chi Omega

Outstanding Community Service
Pi Beta Phi

PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL

Outstanding Greek Man
Justin Grimes - Alpha Phi Alpha

Outstanding Greek Woman
Shonda Brown - Zeta Phi Beta
Honorable Mention, Mallory Smith - Alpha Kappa Alpha

Outstanding Council President
Bronze Hill - Delta Sigma Theta
Kara Matthews - Delta Sigma Theta

Academic Excellence
Alpha Kappa Alpha

Outstanding Chapter Advisor
Yorlanda Hawkins

Outstanding Education Program
Delta Sigma Theta
Alpha Kappa Alpha
Zeta Phi Beta

Outstanding Community Service
Zeta Phi Beta

INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL

Outstanding Greek Man
Chris Shenep - Phi Delta Theta

Big Greek Man on Campus
Wes Greer - Lambda Chi Alpha

Outstanding Chapter President
Justin Sowder - Sigma Chi
Robert Wells - Kappa Sigma

Big Man on Campus
Austin Easley - Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Reece Bailey - Alpha Gamma Rho
Grant Hunt - FarmHouse
Robert Wells - Kappa Sigma
Chandler Barron - Phi Delta Theta
David Proffitt - Sigma Nu

Academic Excellence
Lambda Chi Alpha
Sigma Nu

Most Improved Chapter
Pi Kappa Alpha

greek governing bodies

Interfraternity Council



The purpose of this organization is to govern, regulate and establish guidelines for all male Greek organizations.

Blake Allen, Reece Bailey, Ben Blakeman, Parice Bowser-Adviser, Nathan Brown, Ray Burbank, Blake Burchart, Carter Calico, Jonathan Cloar, Grant Feltner, Ramsey Fulbright, Wes Greer, Burt Hicks, Trip Hollowell, Grant Hunt, Brent Johnson, Cody Kees, Mark Lienhart, Jacob McConnell, Steven McKee, Chris Moore, Mark Newlin, Greg Parker, David Proffitt, Lee Rainey, Chris Rittlemeyer, Brian Speed, Tripp Still, Matt St.Clair, Mitchell Thomas, Ryan Van Pelt, Robert Wells

National Pan-Hellenic Council



The NPHC promotes the well-being of its affiliate fraternities and sororities, facilitates the establishment and development of local councils of NPHC and provides leadership training for its constitutes.

Morgan Armstrong, Lalda Blair, Jessica Bowers, Whitnee Boyd, Jamelle Brown, Shonda Brown, Angel Chapple, Huong Chu, Jeroderick Cole, Shmane Collier, Derek Davis, Antoine Dinka, LaTrice Duncan, Tina Fletcher, Kamuriel Flowers, Charity Forrest, Chanel Forte, Carmen Garrett, Hezekiah Gatson, Brandon Hammons, Dalilah Handy, Teqienna Hawkins, Bronze Hill, Gigi Holder, Keiana Hunter, Dominiqe Hunter, Glen Jasper, Catandra Johnson, Kendra Johnson, Leslie Johnson, Rashaad Johnson, Robert Johnson, Amanda Jones, Stacee Lambey, Stephon Latham, Tabitha Lee, Demarquis Loyd, Fredisha Manning, Carl Mathis, Jona Mathis, Kara Matthews, Sharon Matthews, Derrick McClelland, Jonathan Modica, Melisa Monts, Patrick Moore, Kyle Payne, Kimberly Phillips, Brandon Pickett, h'Elena Pleasant, Corey Redden, Mallory Smith, Rufus Thrower, Morgan Thumbutu, Brittney Vaughn, Larry Weston, Brian Williams, Kelly Williams, Shalamar Yarber

National Panhellenic Council



The purpose of this organization is to govern all nationally recognized panhellenic sororities on the UA campus.

Tori Adams, Emily Burrow, Elizabeth Busby, Adrianne Caspari, Emily Cohn, Amanda Cook, Christine Grosso, Emily Hoard, Alexandra Kosmitis, Christina Logan, Marci Manley, Kelsie Moger, Caroline Nardi, Amanda Peterson, Chelsea Rose, Loren Rutledge, Samantha Sturm, Scott Walters, LeeAnn Young

New Greek Council



The purpose of the council is to foster loyalty to the ideals of the Greek system, to promote UA interaction among fraternities and sororities and to develop leadership for the Greek community, particularly those pertaining to new members.

Laura Akin, Casey Barber, Sarah Barrow, Alex Bass, Lalda Blair, Mattie Bookhout, Nathan Brown, Whitney Burgess, John Chang, Brian Crouch, Candice Cunningham, Jennifer Davis, Kamuriel Flowers, Carey Fowler, Alex Gass, Megan Gillihan, Adam Glasier, Andrew Graham, Chase Grounds, Kyle Hagelin, Parker Higgs, Tanner Horn, Jordan Jackson, Julie Jewett, Jarrett Karrington, Max Klein, Tina Korbe, Zach Lewis, Spencer Lucker, Fredisha Manning, Amy Morley, Bryan Muehmeman, Charlotte Muse, Nancy Dodd Pendergrast, Kristen Privett, Corey Redden, Jessica Rice, Andrew Ritchie, Miles Ritter, Nolan Schutze, Katie Sellers, Ryan Siebenmorgan, Kali Sparks, Evan Stallings, Melodie Straughan, Tyler Sudderth, Shea Tedford, Braydon Thomas, Terrica Weatherford, Chris Weller

Greek Life Facilitators



GLF is a student led organization focusing on uniting and empowering the future of the UA and the Greek community.

Derek Abrams, Morgan Armstrong, Beth Bowen, Eric Brown, Elizabeth Busby, Paige Daniel, Katie Fourmy, Carmen Garrett, Brittany Goings, Ashley Jenkins, Seth Jewell, Abby Keffler, Sarah Kutac, Whitney Lee, Christina Logan, Kelsie Moger, Alicia New, Chelsea Rose, Thomas Vo, Richard Watkins, Brett Wish

G.A.M.M.A.



Greeks Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol (GAMMA) aims to educate the Greek community and the UA community of the risks posed by the abuse of alcohol. In doing so, it is their goal to increase alcohol awareness on campus and foster a healthier and safer atmosphere for students.

Waylon Abernathy, Laurie Anderson, Leslie Anderson, Christina Antley, Reece Bailey, Wade Bailey, Trey Becton, Ryan Belcher, Cameron Brown, Shannon Brown, Kris Bunnell, Drew Dolan, Andrew Ellenburg, Michaela Erskin, Kristen Exendine, Nick Fair, Tina Fletcher, Wes Henry, Matt Hughes, Duc Huynh, Harry Johnson, Katie Jones, Shalane Maestri, Kara Matthews, Brooke McDowell, Rachael Meissner, Patrick Moore, John Paul Noland, Matt Nye, h'Elene Pleasant, John Proffitt, Katie Roberts, Mary Beth Rohr, Sarah Scott, Brian Speed, James Thornton, Jimmy Watson, Robyn Webster, Thomas Welch, Tera Whitz, Katie Wood, Jordan Wright

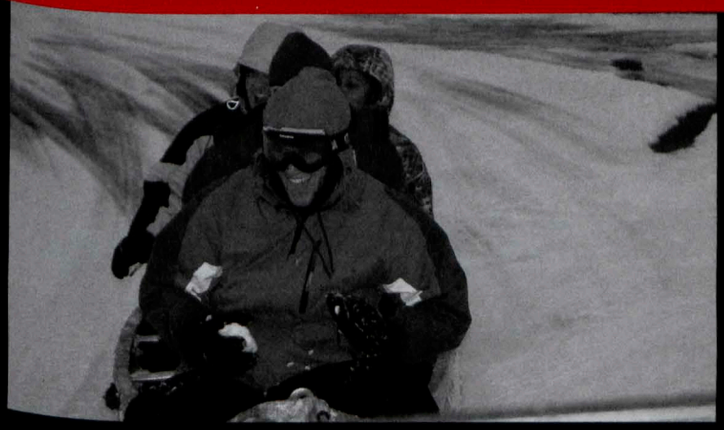
A student enjoys sunny weather while napping on campus. Bottom: After several inches of snow blanketed Fayetteville, several students spent their time out of the classroom playing in the winter weather. PHOTOS BY JESSICA LEMASTER AND ROBYN CLOUD





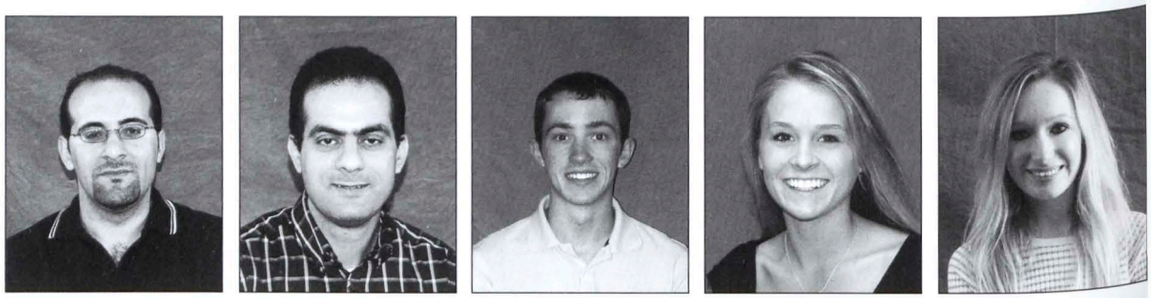
Students entered the University as freshmen
and searched for a way to leave their
mark on an ever-changing campus.
As graduating seniors, students realized not only
did they impact the UA,
but the University also left its mark on
them.

people

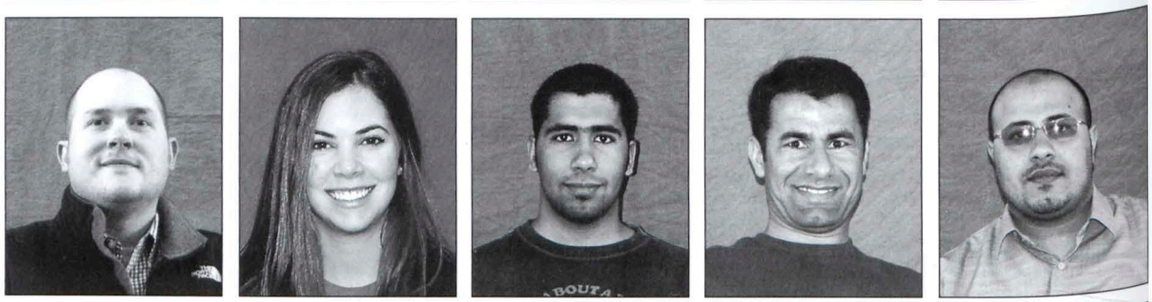




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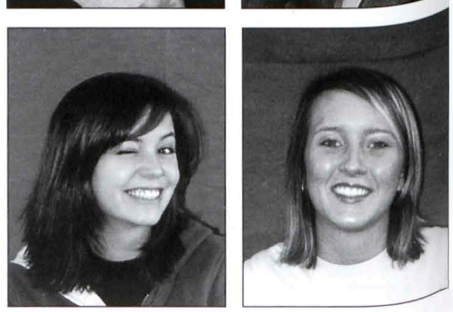
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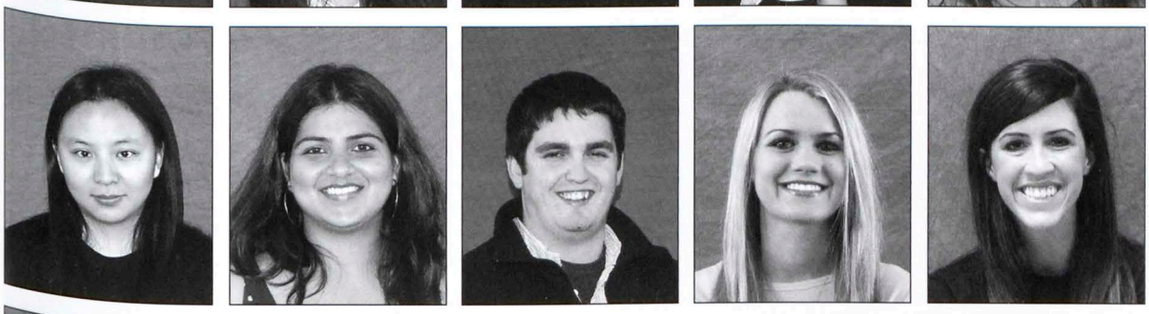




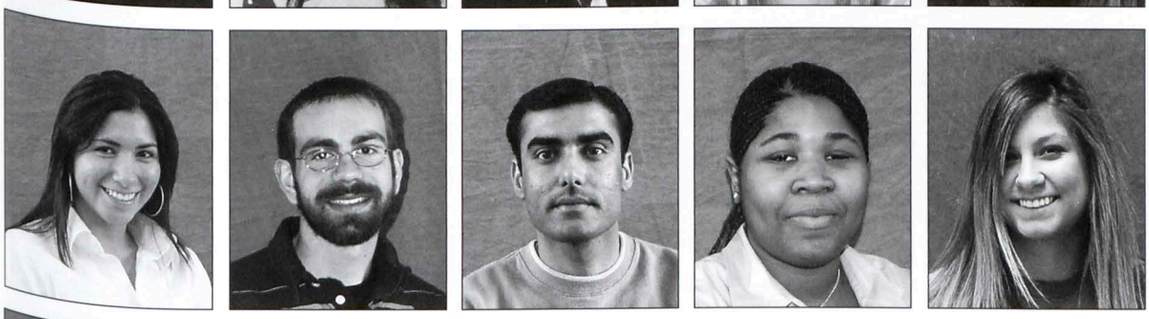
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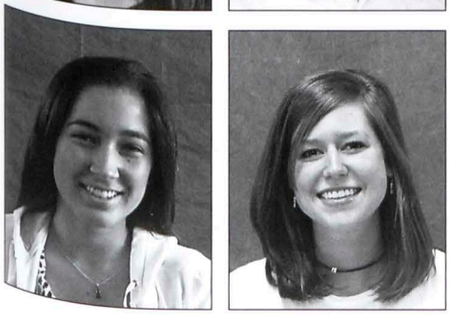
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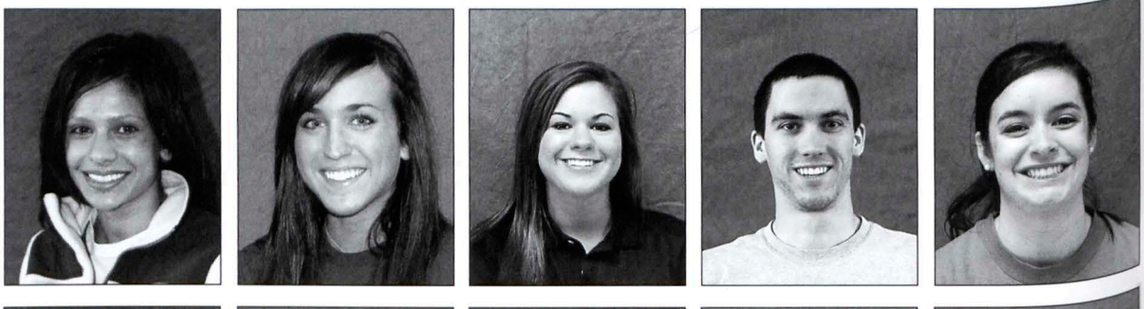
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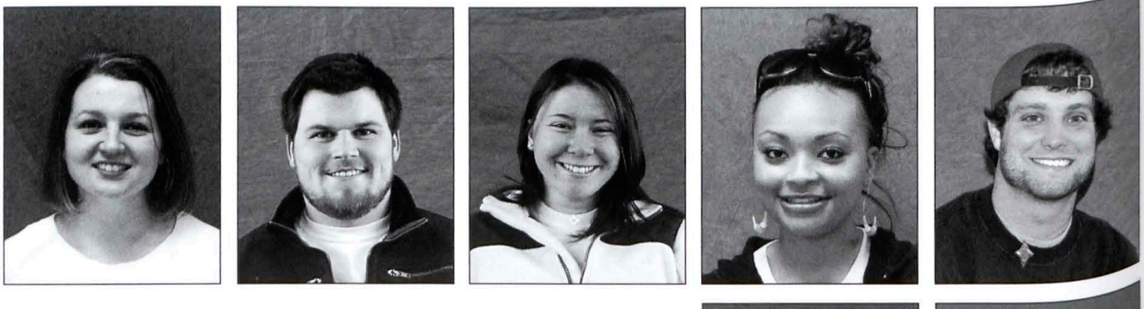
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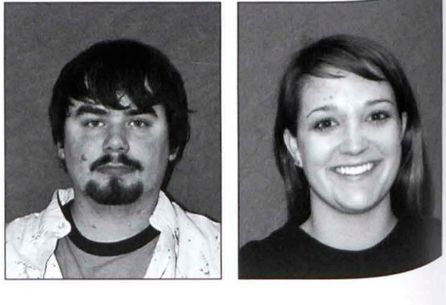
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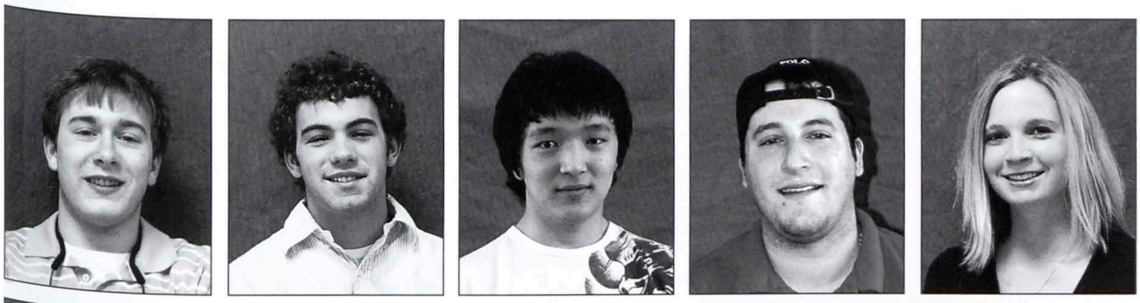


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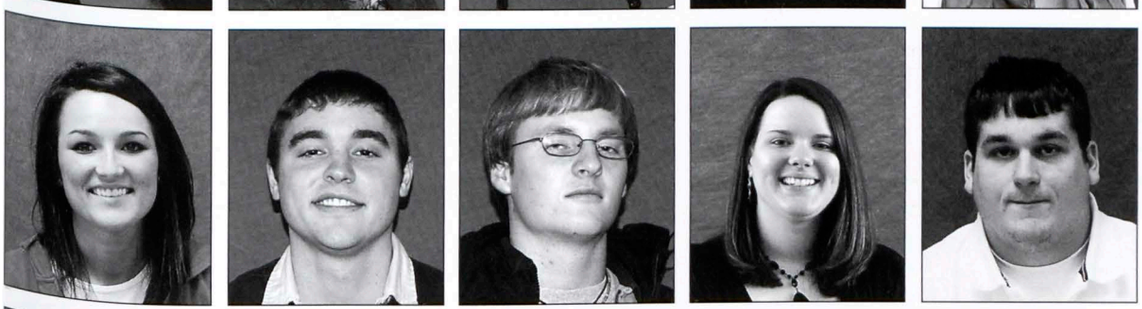




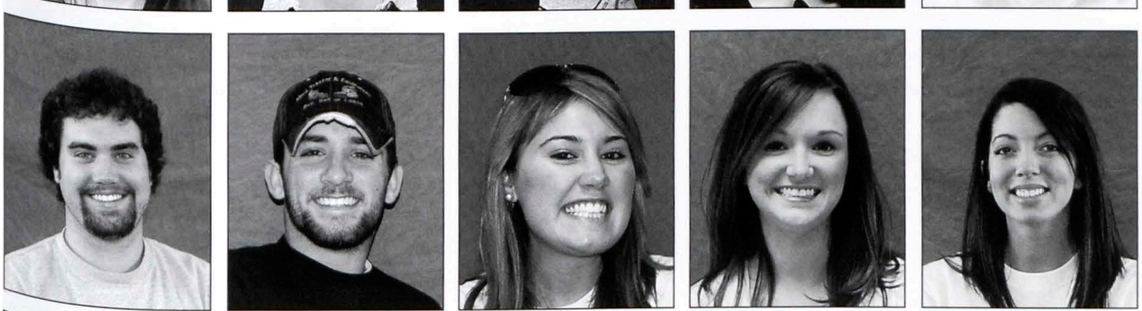
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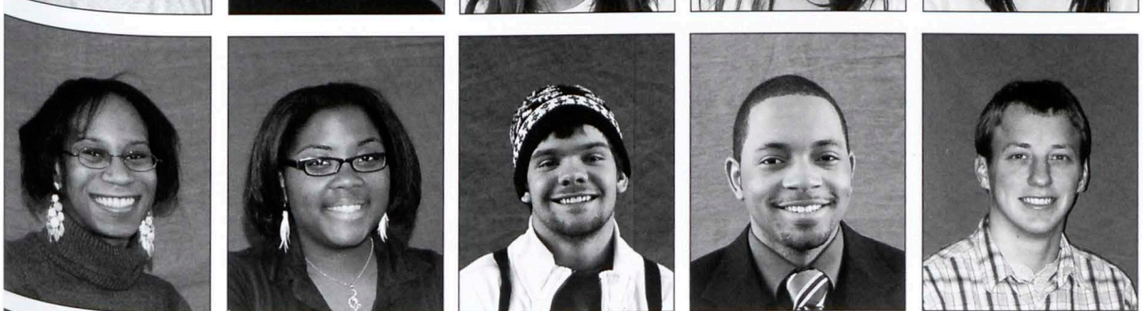
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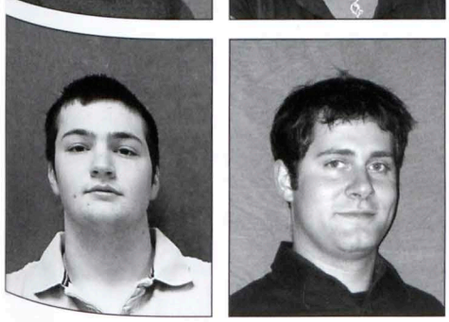
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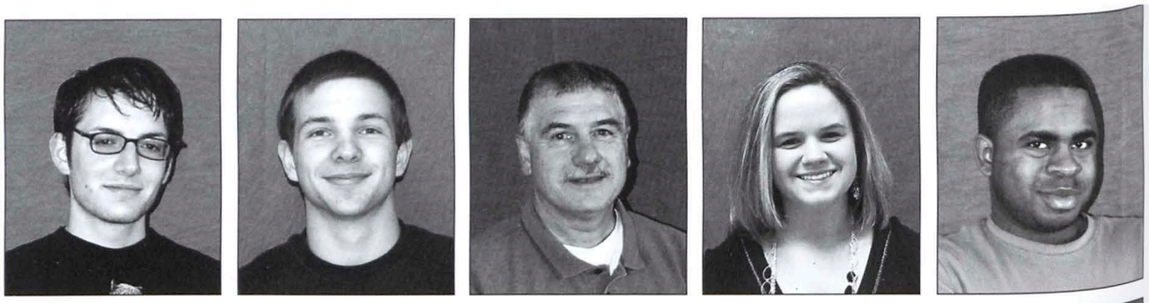


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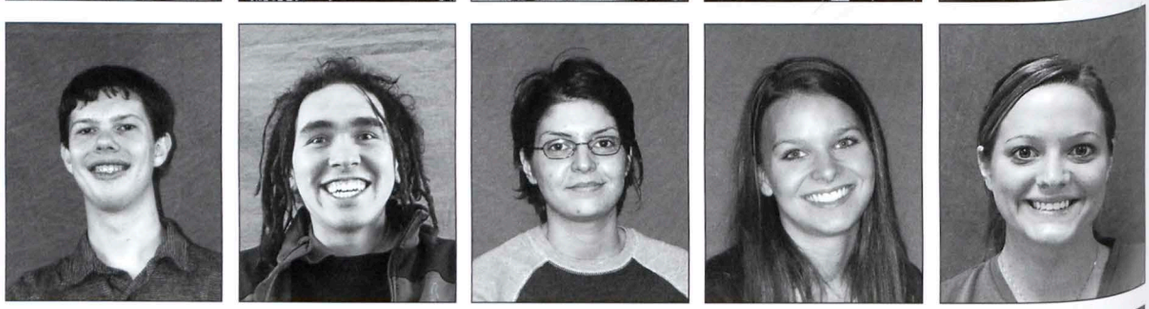
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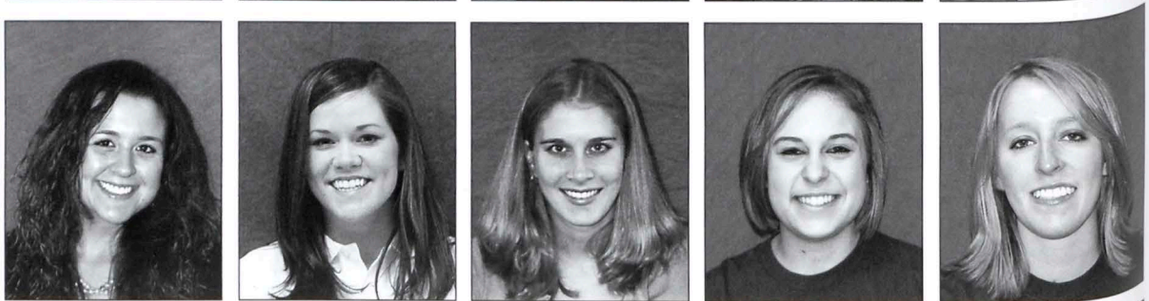
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THE HILL'S MOST eligible bachelor

BY ANTOINETTE GRAJEDA

Ever wonder what it would be like to have your very own photo shoot for a well-known magazine? Just ask marketing major Dustin Harper about his experience as *Cosmopolitan's* Most Eligible Bachelor from Arkansas. Last summer, the junior was alerted to this honor via voicemail after returning home from a family vacation in Hawaii.

"I thought it was a joke," Harper said. "I'd never even heard of *Cosmo's* 50 Most Eligible Bachelors."

Every year, *Cosmopolitan* sponsors a nationwide contest where readers nominate a bachelor by sending in a letter and two color photographs, according the magazine's Web site. A panel of editors then selects the 50 semifinalists and contacts them. Harper won thanks to an anonymous admirer.

"I still have no idea how I got it," he said.

Harper returned the call and before long he was on a plane with his dad for his first trip to New York City. He posed with about half of the other bachelors during a rainy photo shoot in the Hamptons. In between shots, the bachelors relaxed in a beach house where they answered questions during an interview session. In October, Harper returned to New York for a publicity tour.

"It was like being a celebrity for a day," he said.

The bachelors made appearances on *Entertainment Tonight, Access Hollywood, The Today Show* and the *Rachael Ray Show*. Once their duties were over, they were taken sightseeing which included a final stop at a "crazy club" called the Pink Elephant. The Cabot native admitted to feeling nervous when he first arrived in New York.

"I'm from Arkansas and I'm not used to the fast pace," he said. When Harper first told his friends about his new title they reacted in disbelief.

"It was like a joking thing," he said. Despite the cold conditions and being misquoted, Harper would relive the experience "in a second."

"It was amazing and it was fun," he said.



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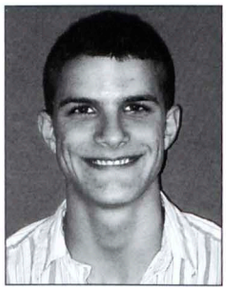
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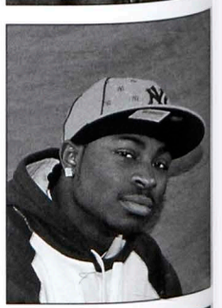




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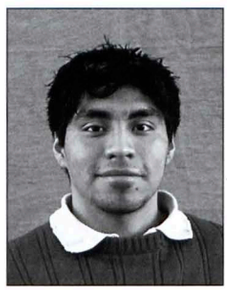
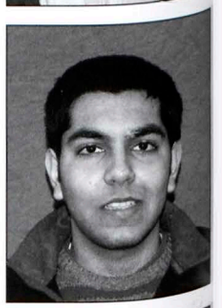






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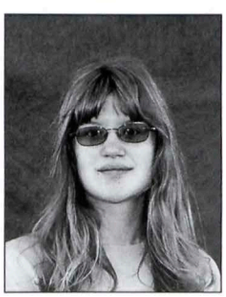
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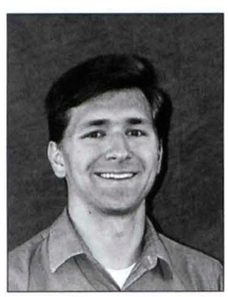


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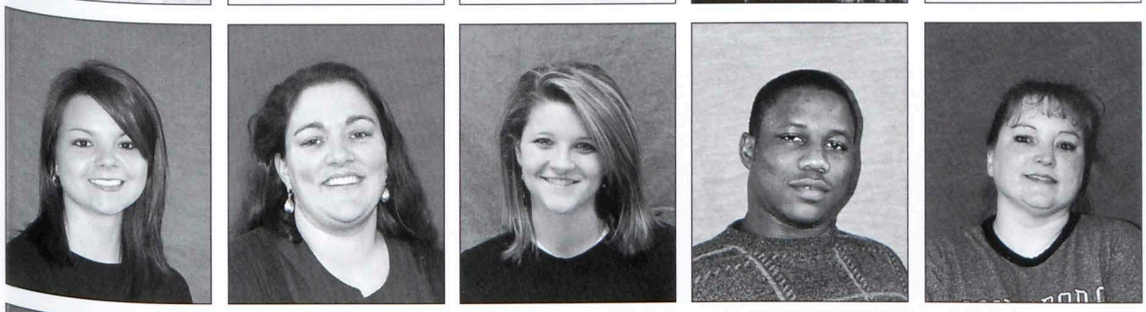



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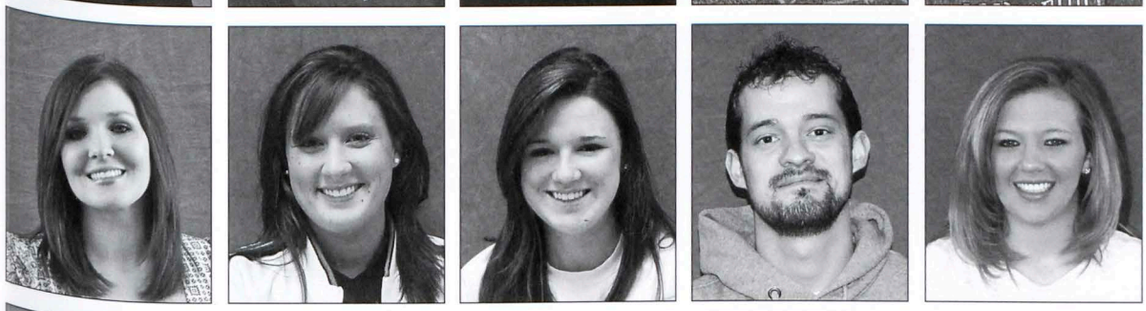





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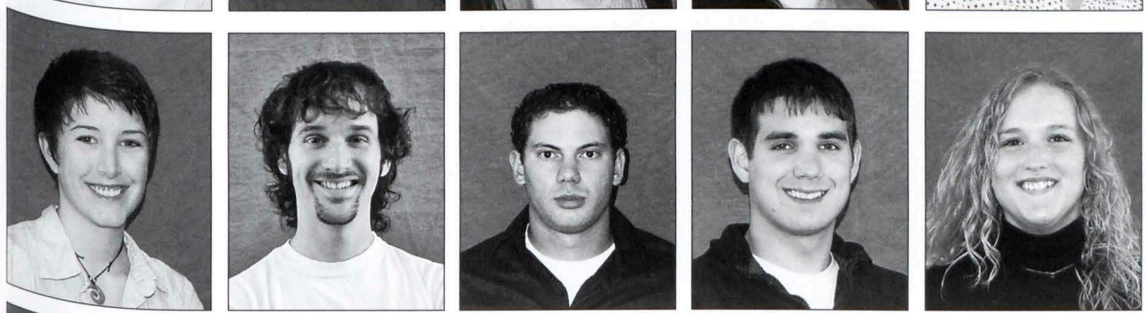
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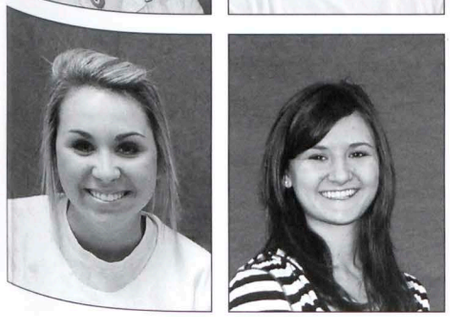
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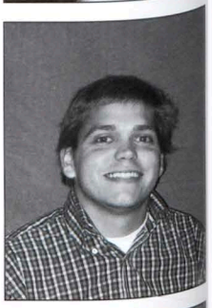
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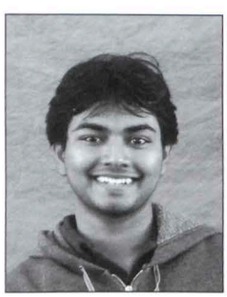
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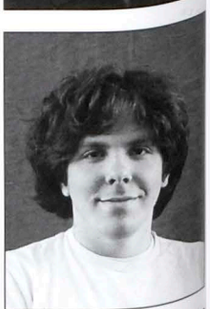
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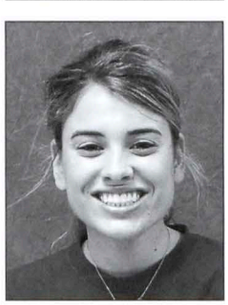
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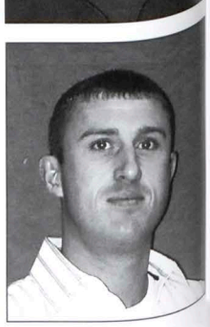
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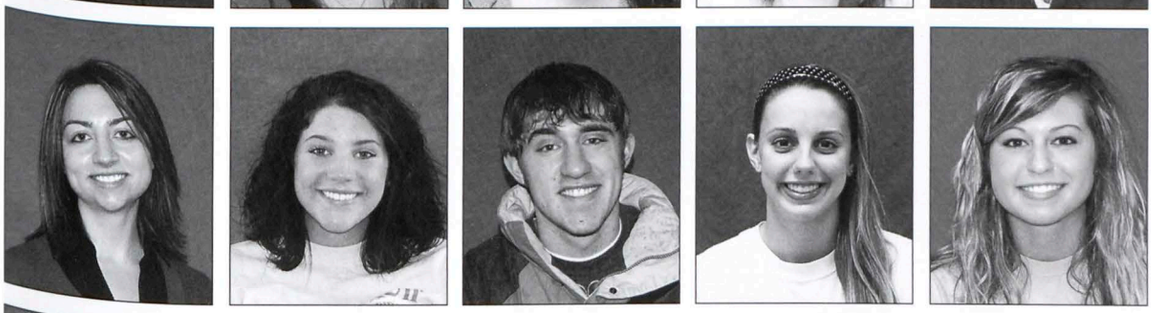





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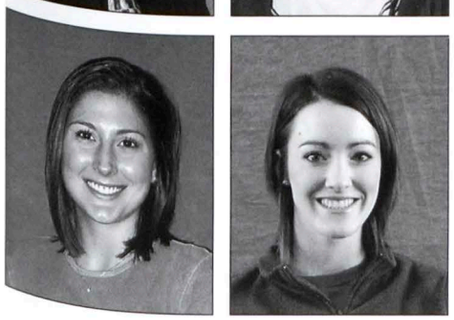
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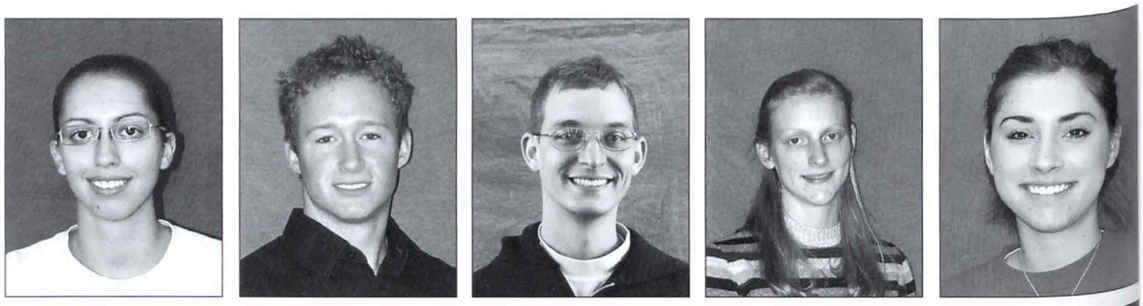


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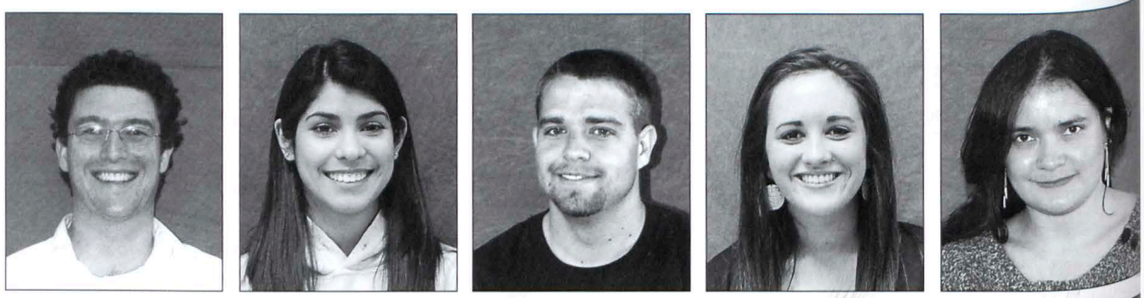
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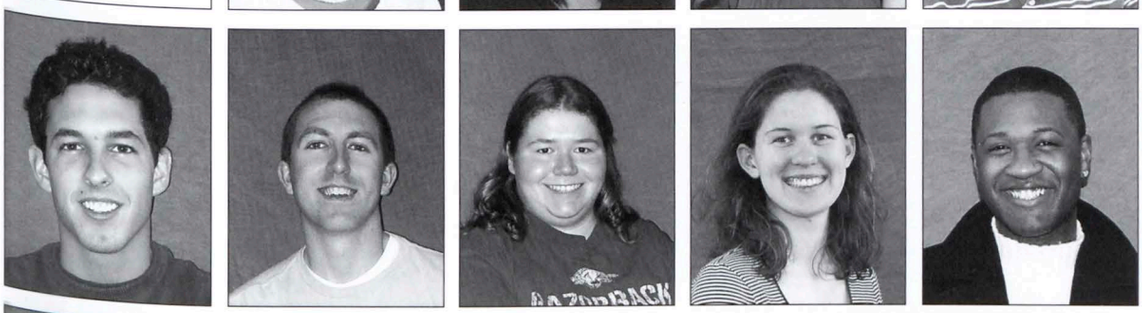


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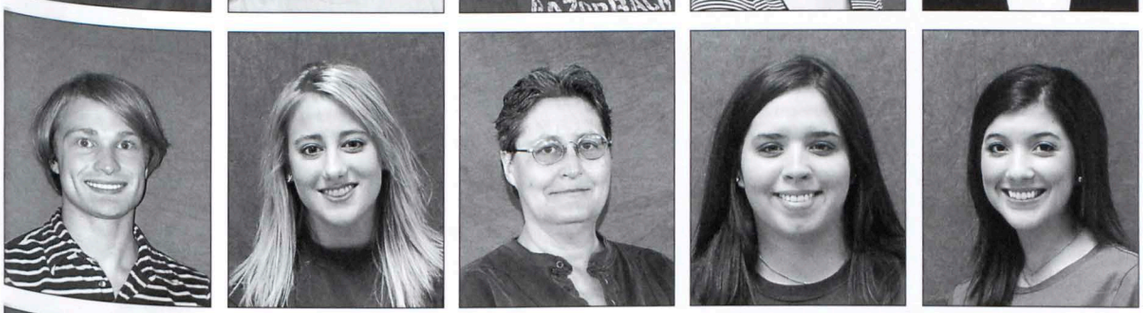




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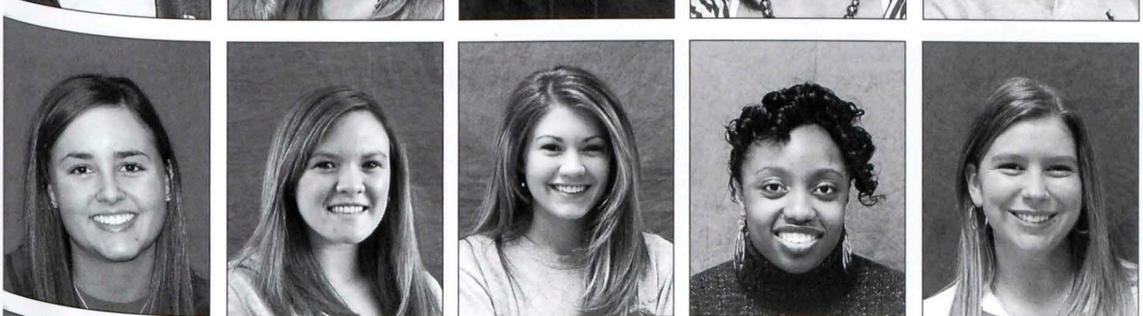
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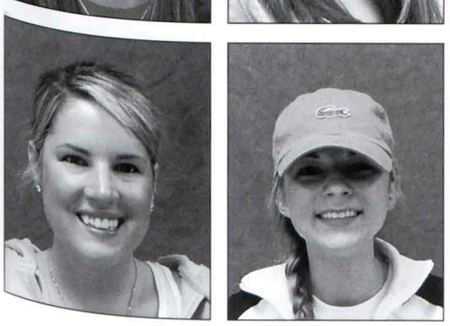
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CULTURAL exchange

BY COURTNEY CAMPBELL

When UA senior Terry Vo stepped onto Japanese soil to study abroad last year, she never dreamed it would lead to an internship with the U.S. Embassy that would ultimately shape her life goals.

Vo traveled to Japan last summer before spending the school year in Osaka at Kansai Gaidai University. There Vo met Joel Fischl, a member of the Foreign Commercial Service in the U.S. Embassy. Early in the spring, he sent Vo forms to apply for an internship at the Embassy.

"I'll never forget when I opened up my e-mail and saw that I had gotten the internship," Vo said. "I started running around and screaming."

Vo's involvement at the UA helped to prepare her for new challenges abroad. She was on ASG executive board where she served as director for constituent relations. She was also Cinematic Arts chair for University Programs.



terry vo

Vo arrived in Tokyo in June to begin her internship. She had many responsibilities that are typical of interns, but she also received many unique opportunities. She met with Japanese airlines and held private receptions for Japanese business owners to help the embassy with their tourist campaign. They wanted to encourage the Japanese to travel to America. She had to get up in front of many prestigious people and speak to them in their native tongue.

As rewarding as her experience was, initially Vo had to overcome some challenges.

"There is a certain protocol you have to realize with the Japanese," Vo said, "such as bowing at a certain degree when addressing people of higher status."

The language barrier was tough as well.

"Every other barrier is created within that language barrier," Vo said. "Once that barrier falls, all the other walls fall down."

Like many students that travel abroad, Vo experienced culture shock upon returning to the U.S.

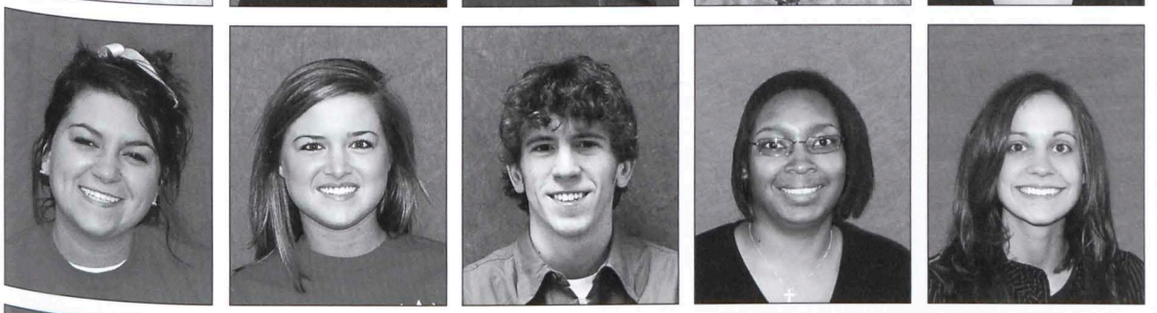
"I told a lady at the grocery store 'thank you' in Japanese," she said. "I didn't even think about it."

Vo was accepted to be a part of the Japan Exchange and Teaching program when she graduated in the spring.

"Working at the embassy really pushed me to want to work with a foreign service," Vo said. "I really enjoyed working with the Japanese people. There are so many memories and stories that have changed my life."



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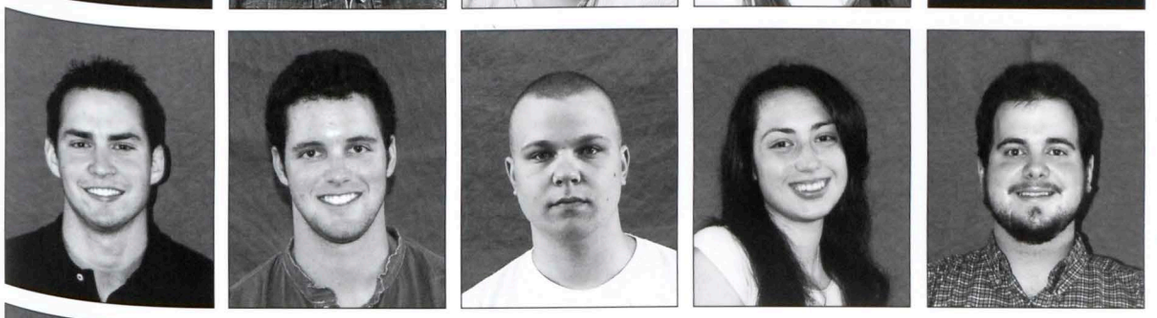
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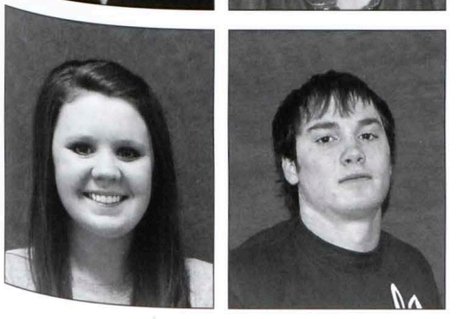
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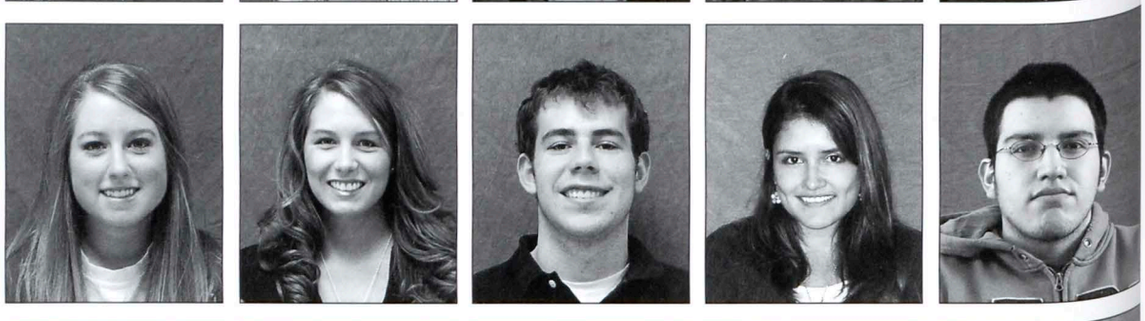
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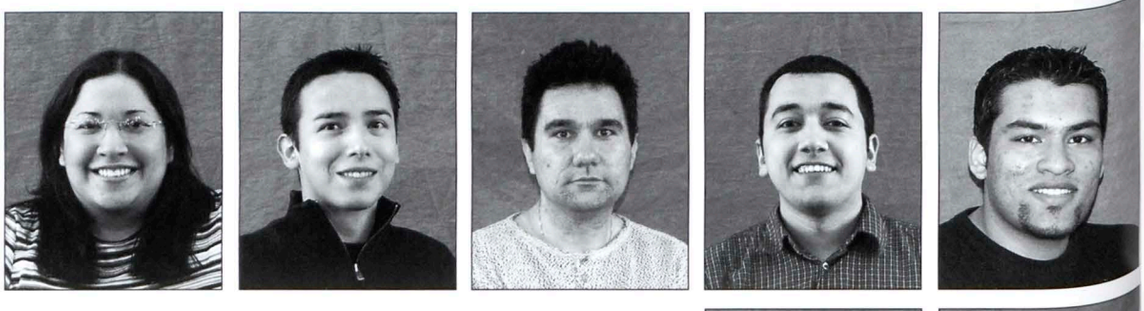
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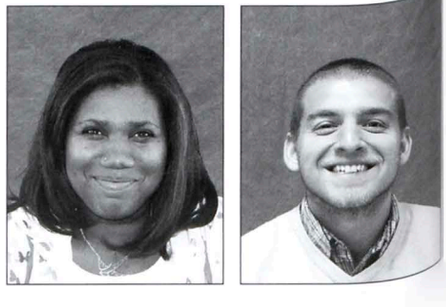
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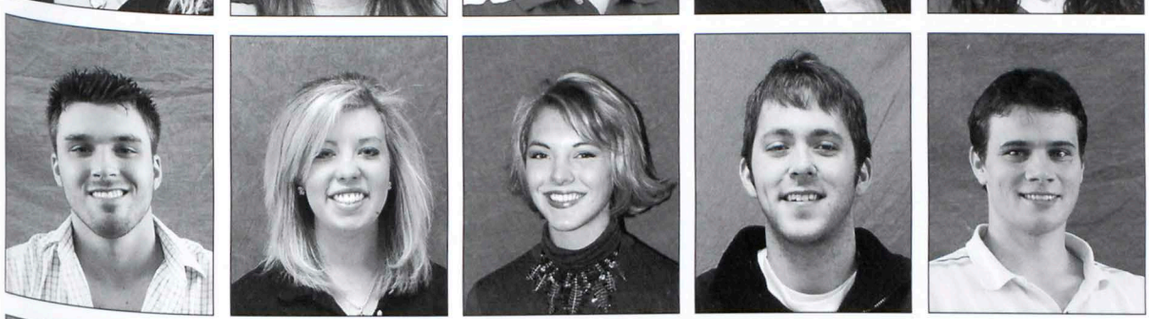




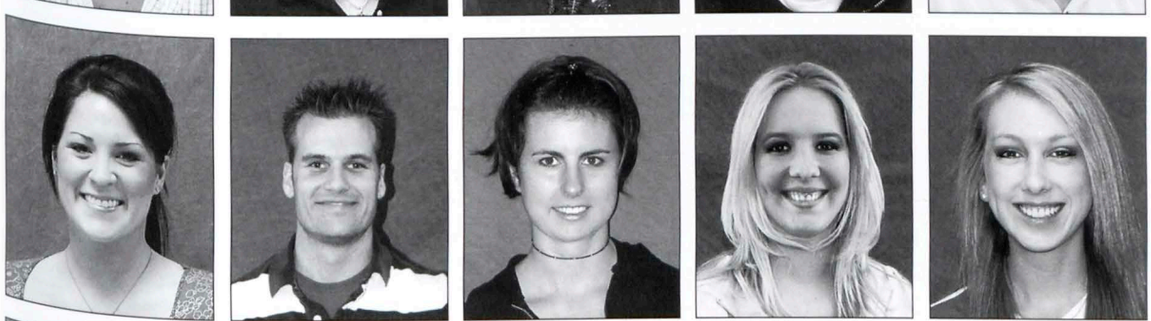
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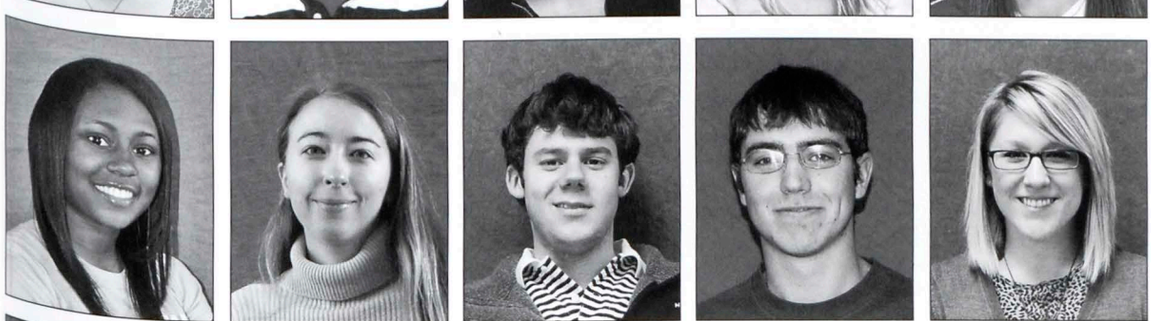
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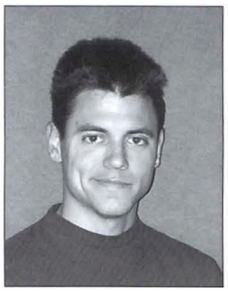


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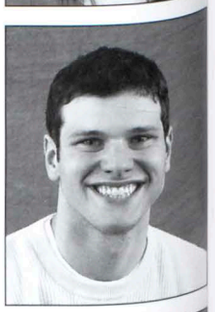




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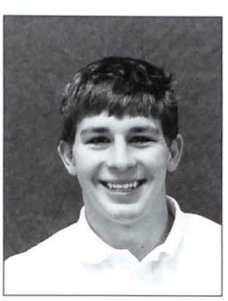
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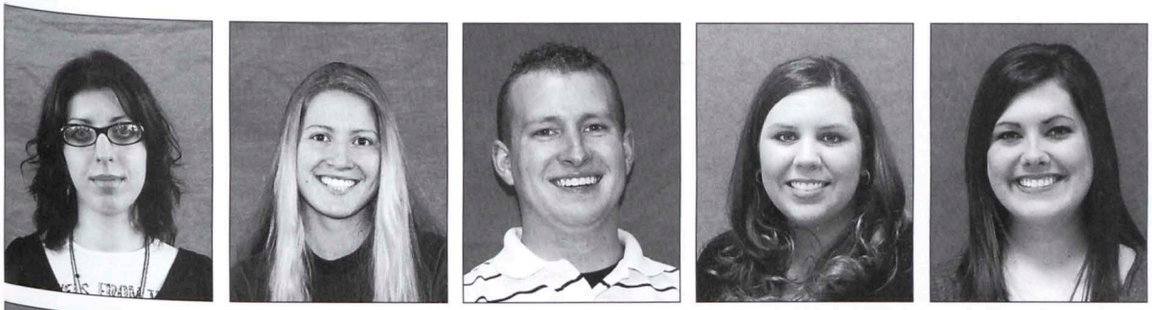
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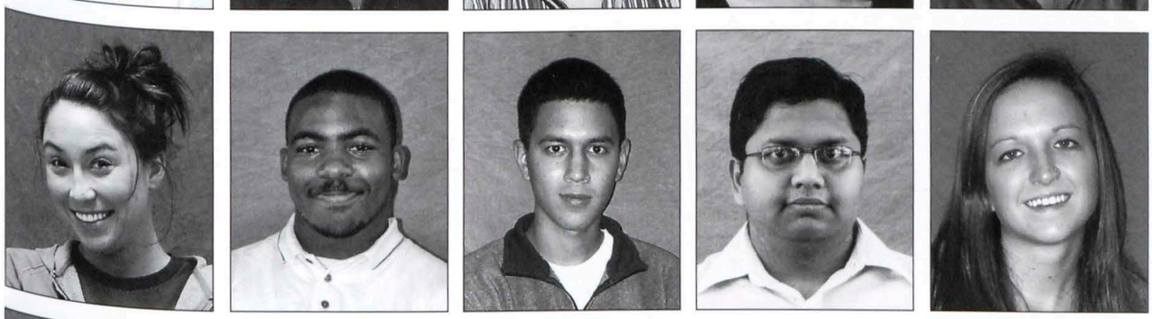
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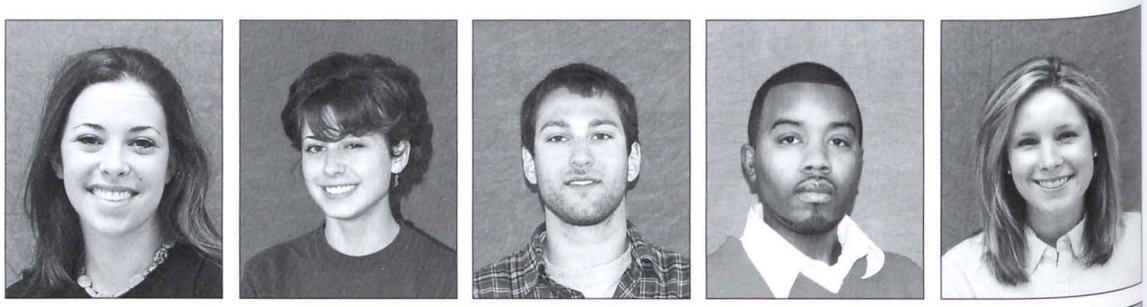


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MAKING an impact

BY HELEN CHASE

It's not every college student that spends a whole semester helping to rebuild a city struck by disaster. But Jared Hueter, a fifth-year architecture student at the UA, did just that.

Early in their college careers, Hueter and a group of friends decided that they wanted to use what they were learning in the classroom to benefit the world around them. The result was the interdisciplinary group Re:Vision. The group brought together students from architecture, engineering, interior design and many other majors to use good design to improve the city of Fayetteville. After Hurricane Katrina, the students of Re:Vision wanted to do something to help, and after a lot of hard work, a consortium of schools from all over the country came together to form CITYbuild - a non-profit organization focused on helping rebuild New Orleans.

As a founding member of the consortium, the UA School of Architecture decided to facilitate a way for fourth and fifth year architecture students to work with CITYbuild as part of the architecture program.

"Because of my involvement in the process from the beginning and my interest, I was asked if I would move down to New Orleans for my last semester to work as the local liaison for the studio's efforts in the city," Hueter said.

Hueter, who has traveled to several developing countries, says that the need in New Orleans is comparable to those countries and is overwhelming.

"The saddest thing is that the scale of need in this place has yet to be matched by the scale of the response. People are still dying here. They are dying, not from a storm, but a failed system," he said.

Despite the slow response, Hueter said progress is being made, both in New Orleans and in Hueter's own life.

"The work is going great. It is slow sometimes, but we are beginning to make an impact," said Hueter, who will be the new program coordinator of CITYbuild after graduation.

And over time, Hueter found that the more of an impact he left on the city, the more the spirit of New Orleans and its residents slowly made an impression on him as well.

"Every day is an adventure," he said. "Every house that we work on has such a strong history; every house truly is someone's home. I learn the most from the people that I interact with on a daily basis. Some of the strongest people in the world live here in New Orleans, and I am lucky to call them friends."



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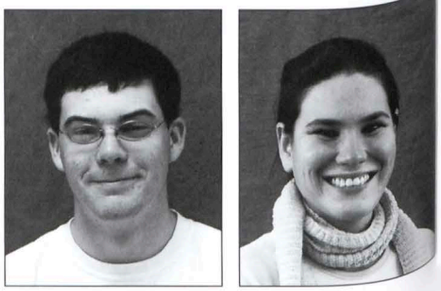
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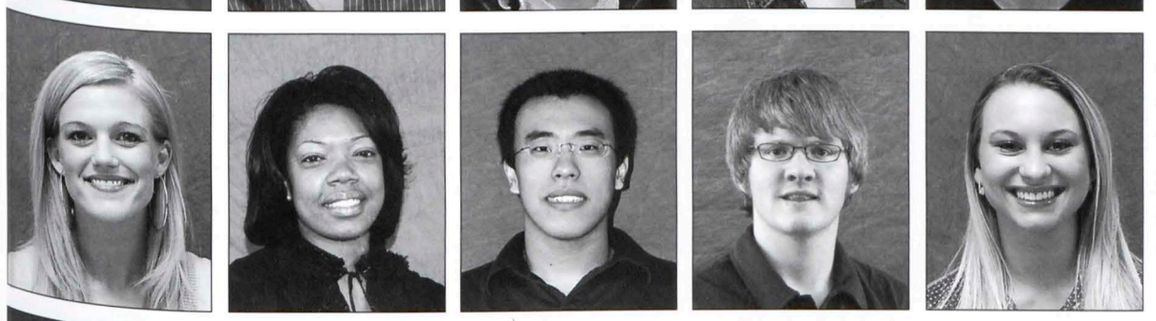
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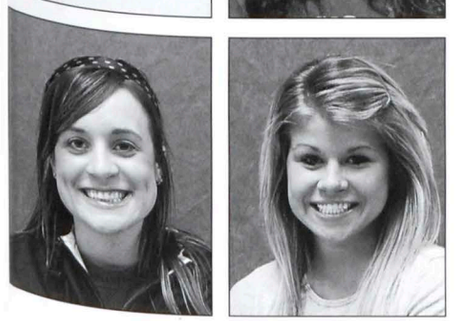
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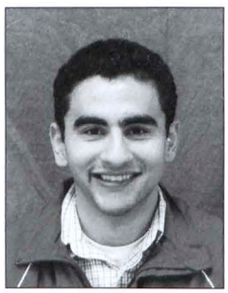
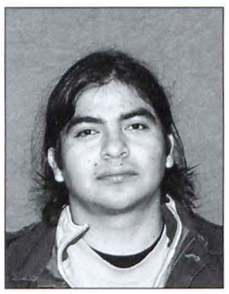
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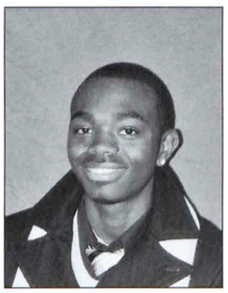
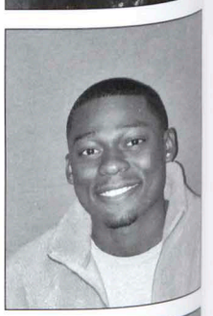






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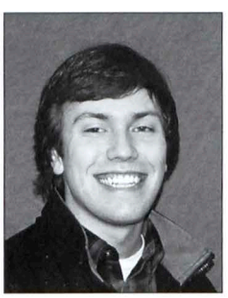
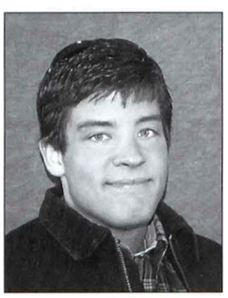




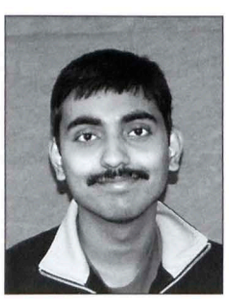


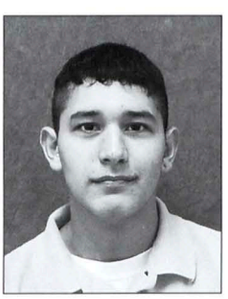
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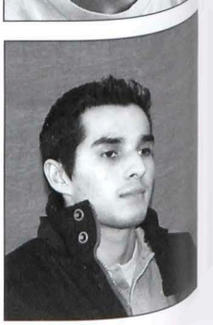




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GYMNAST for life

BY HELEN CHASE

Many girls take ballet, clogging, or gymnastics classes when they are young, but give them up for other things when they get older. Others turn it into a passion. Junior Emily Peacock did just that.

Peacock started gymnastics classes when she was 9.

"I wanted to be involved in something, and I was really interested in figure skating, but my parents told me I had to pick one: skating or gymnastics," Peacock said.

She chose gymnastics, and she became one of the 11 girls on the Arkansas Lady Gym'Backs team. For Peacock, gymnastics was not just a hobby, it was a huge part of her life.

"It brings a lot of structure to our lives," said Peacock. "We have to have a lot of responsibility."

The gymnastics program at UA was relatively young, only in its fifth year. When gymnasts are in high school, they compete to make it to higher levels where scouts from different universities will come watch them and hopefully recruit them for college programs. Peacock, who made it to Nationals three times during high school, had a hard choice to make between several universities. She ended up coming to Arkansas, and was happy with her choice. In her first year, she found a mentor in one of the upperclassmen, who inspired Peacock with her character and work ethic.

Three years later, Peacock found herself as an upperclassman whose job was to "keep the team together." There were six freshmen on the team in 2007, and the girls had to fight through a lot of obstacles. College competitions were vastly different from high school.

"Back in high school, it's all about the individual. In college, your routine counts for the whole team. I love that we're a group of girls that have different personalities, but we come together for the sport," Peacock said.

The Gym'Backs ended up being ranked 11th this season.

"We showed a lot of potential this year. We did something awesome — we won five meets in a row. Our goal was top 10, and we got really close to that."

While Peacock knew that as a gymnast gets older, it took more and more work to stay healthy, she enjoyed the time she still had with her passion.

"The peak age for a gymnast is sixteen or seventeen, and we're all past that," she said. "I'll be devastated the day that it hits me [that I can't do gymnastics anymore], but it's always going to be part of my life."



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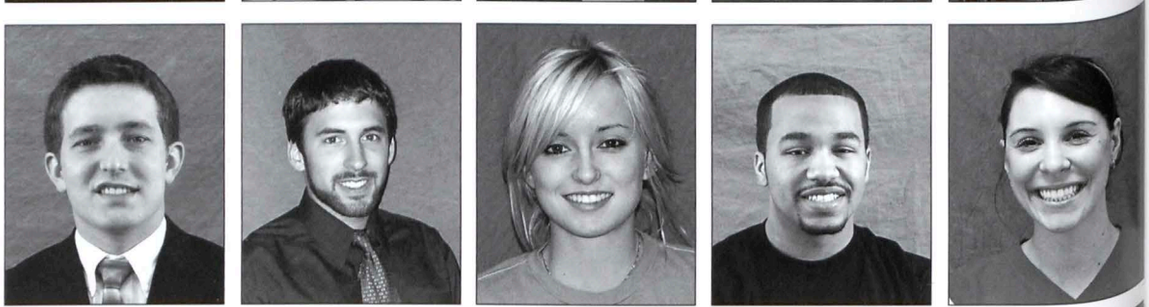
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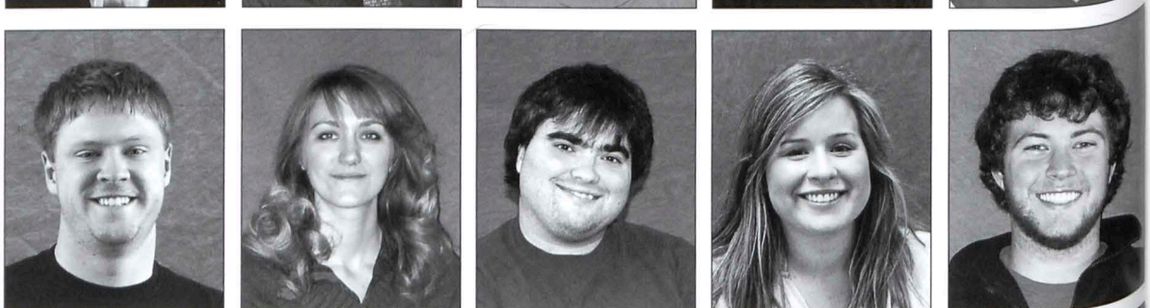
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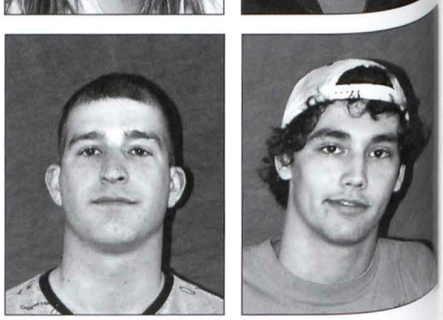
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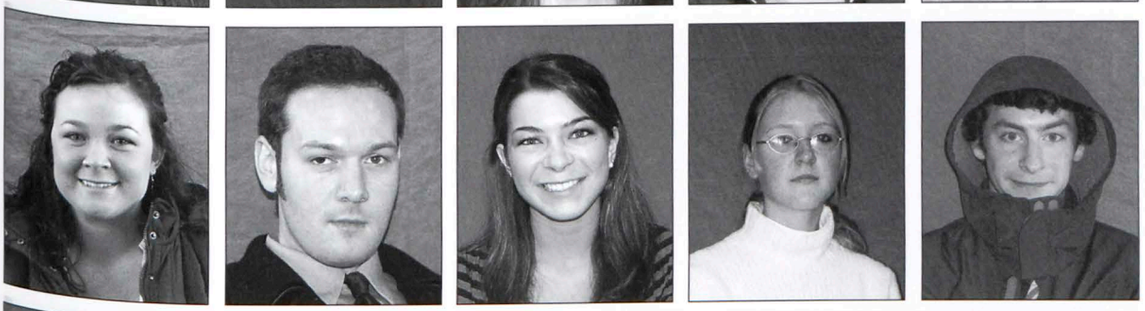


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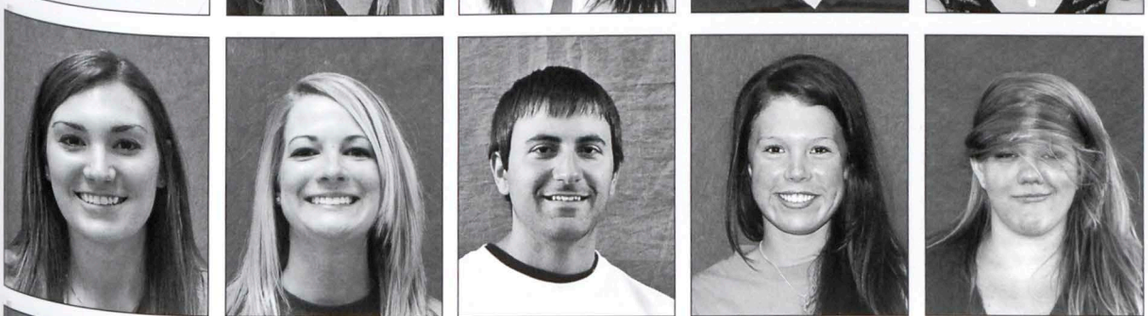
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EASTERN LIFE comes west

BY SHAUNA VO

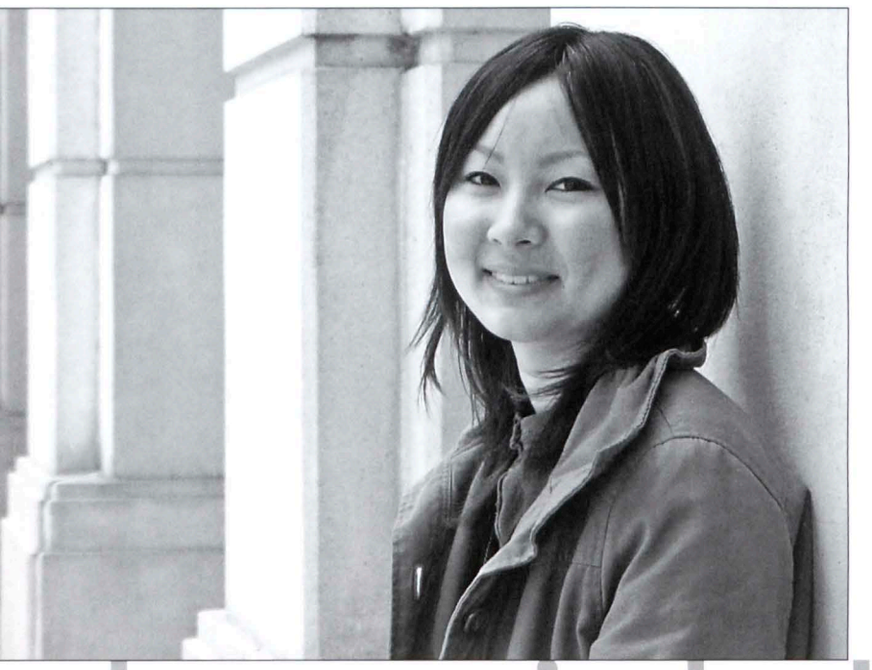
The Japanese culture intrigues and interests Americans because of its ancient history, art and culture. But how do Americans learn more about a culture that is on the other side of the world and a country some students aren't privileged to learn about in school?

Sometimes the best way to learn about a culture is to experience it with someone who preserves the heritage and actively exposed her culture to others.

Honami Otsuki, a Japanese international student, opened herself up to American culture, acquiring pizza as her favorite "American" food, and brought her intriguing culture from the former capital of Japan. Raised in Kyoto, Japan, Otsuki learned Japanese art such as calligraphy and origami at a young age.

When she was 7 years old, Otsuki learned calligraphy from her grandfather's friend in calligraphy school where they met once a week.

Origami, the art of paper folding, was another art Otsuki learned when she was in kindergarten from her grandmother.



honami otsuki

As a member of the International Cultural Team, Otsuki practiced her calligraphy and spread her culture to Northwest Arkansas residents. She exposed children's minds to these arts and Japanese culture at elementary schools and at a Girl Scouts event called the International Thinking Day at the Northwest Arkansas Mall. International Cultural Team members provided lectures and performances to more than 7,000 adults and children each year.

Interested in opening her own hotel in Japan or America, Otsuki decided to study abroad in America because she wanted to major in hospitality management.

"None of the universities in Japan had a hospitality management major," Otsuki said.

UA international students were required to study English their first semester at the university. But when Otsuki came to the UA in May 2006 she had more experience in the English language than some students. She began learning English as a foreign language in junior high school and was privileged to go to New York, Washington and Princeton University in New Jersey to study English for three weeks during her senior year of high school.

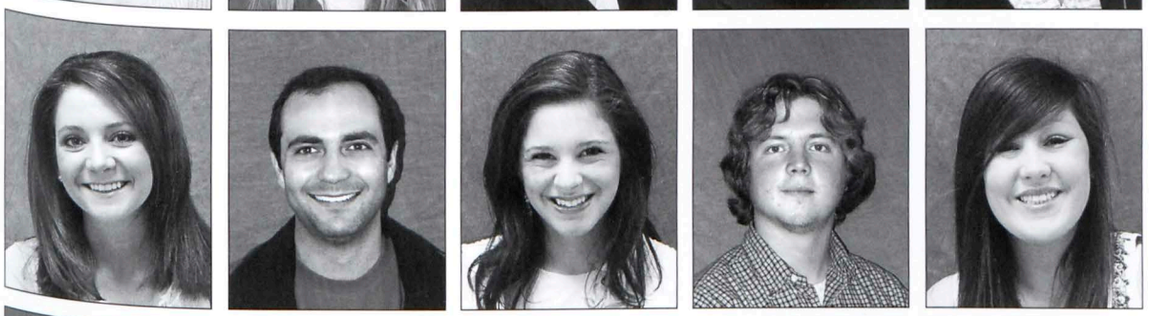
When she was in Japan, she was afraid to speak English to native English speakers. Now that she was in America, she only spoke English.

"Americans don't hesitate to express themselves," she said.

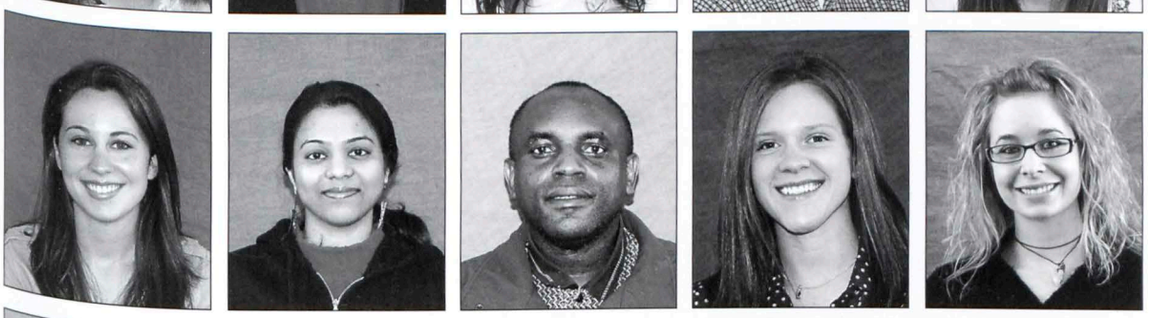
Otsuki learned to express herself more because of American culture and still seemed to preserve her Japanese heritage.



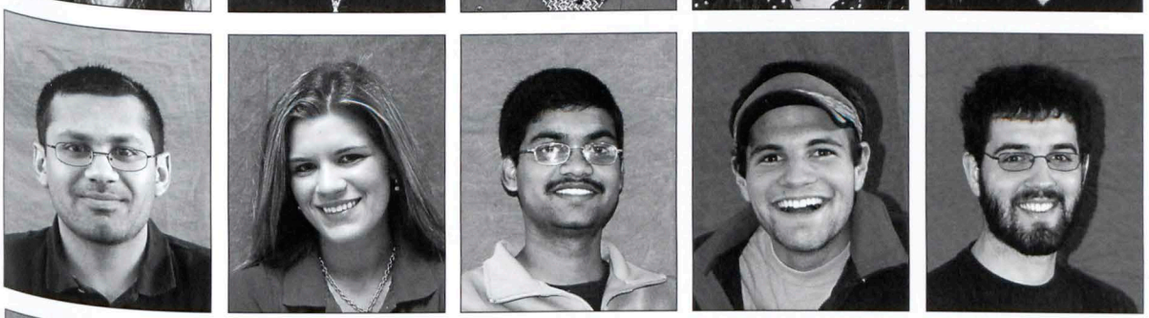
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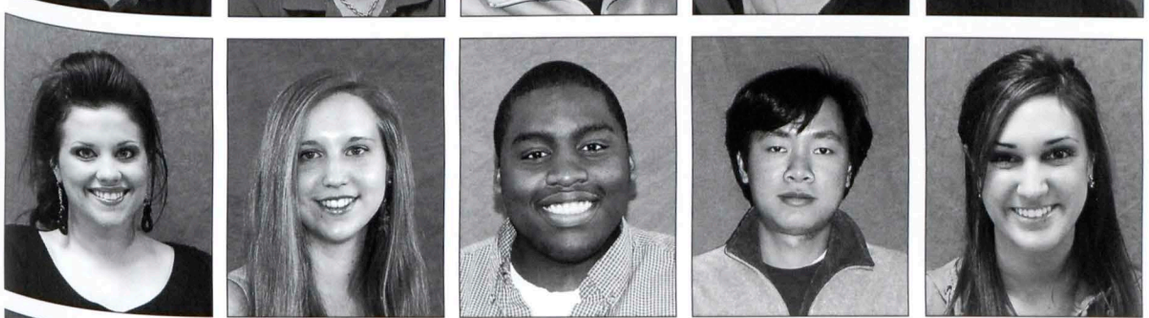
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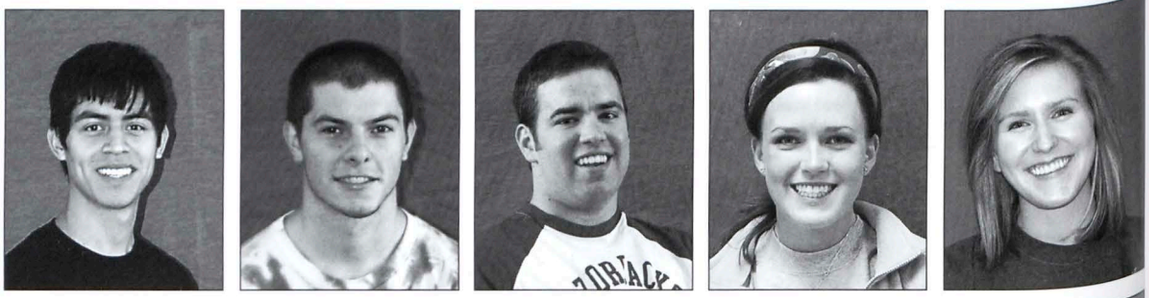
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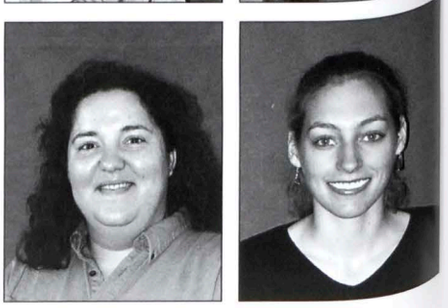
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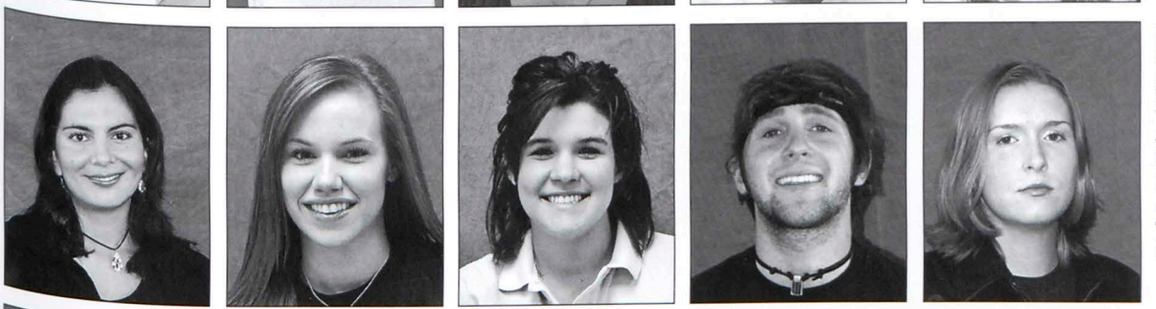


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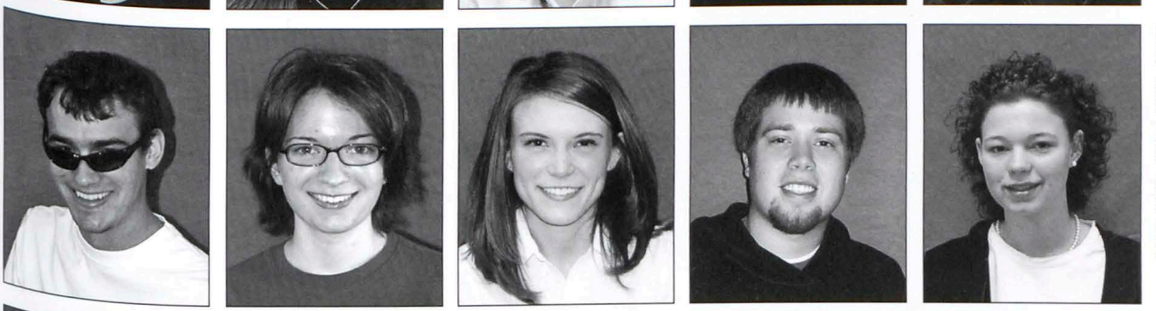




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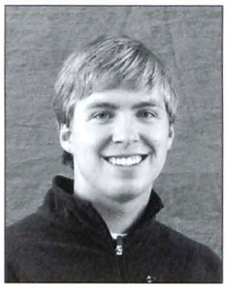


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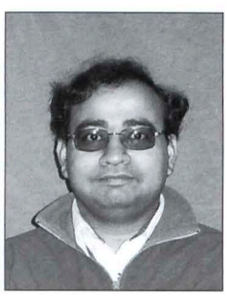

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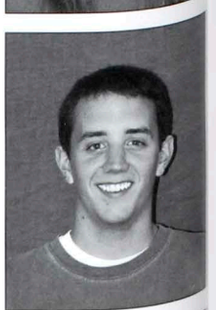




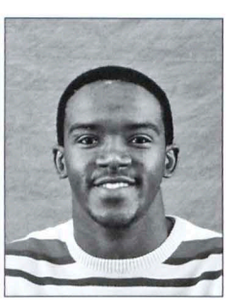
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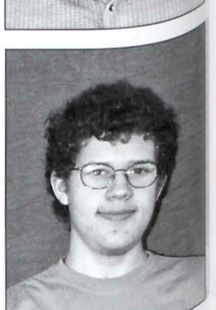
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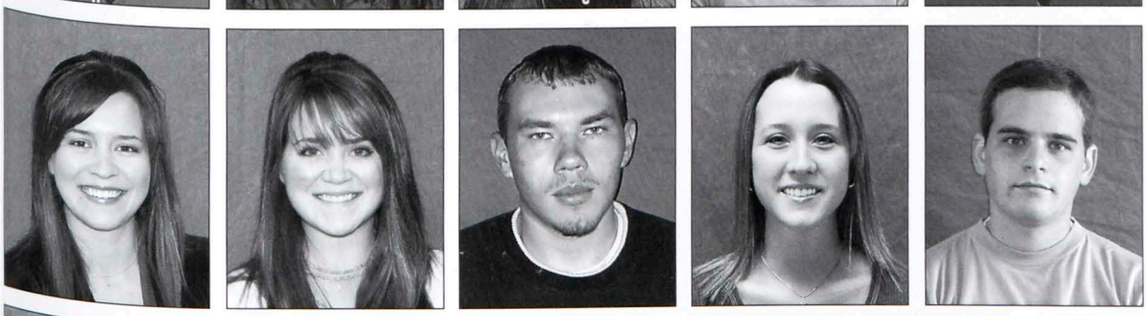


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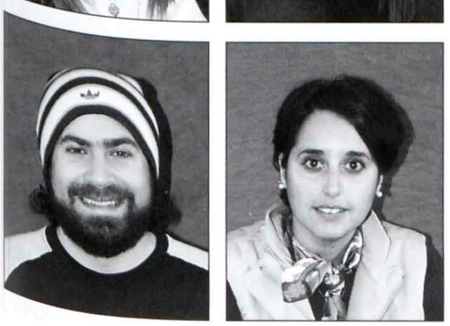
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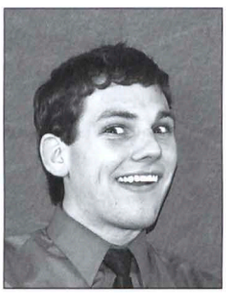


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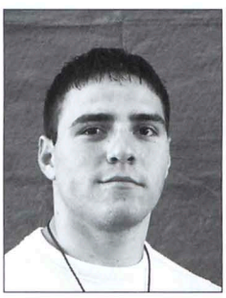
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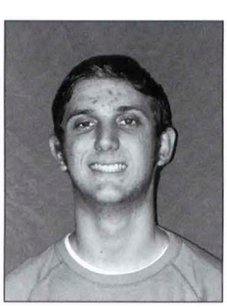
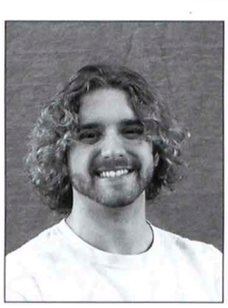






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ELECTRONIC freedom

BY DAN CLARK

Watching Jeff Puckett as he spins was like watching the work of a craftsman who loves his trade. At his shows, Puckett could be seen smiling as his natty dreads dance to the beats of the drum and bass that swim through the speakers. He originally got involved in the electronic music scene through dancing.

"Once I got into dancing, it really took off," Puckett said.

He decided to become a DJ because there was a lot of music he listened to that no one else would play.

"I thought I was just as qualified to present that music as anybody else," he said.

So Puckett learned to mix and donned the stage name DJ Illectron. Growing up, Puckett said he played a lot of instruments. He's played the piano, clarinet, saxophone, violin and viola, but said he chose a set of turntables and mixers. The unrestricted freedom was what he thrived on.

"I find it better and easier to draw on the [musical talents] of others...their insights spark my creativity," Puckett said.

When he wasn't playing a set, Puckett could be seen dancing among the rest of the people there for the show.

"The beauty of it all is the dance, the raw interaction and response to music," he said.

The social interaction you felt while dancing, he said, was incredible. With the thundering beat of the speakers, it was usually too loud to understand someone that's talking right next to you, so the only communication going on was body language. Even while he was mixing live, Puckett loved to watch the crowd and see how they react to a certain sound.

"It's all about the music and the dance," Puckett said.

Arkansas was fairly removed from the major electronic music scenes, so there was only a core group of people that listen to the music. Puckett said he enjoyed that about the local scene.

"You really get a sense of tight camaraderie," he said.

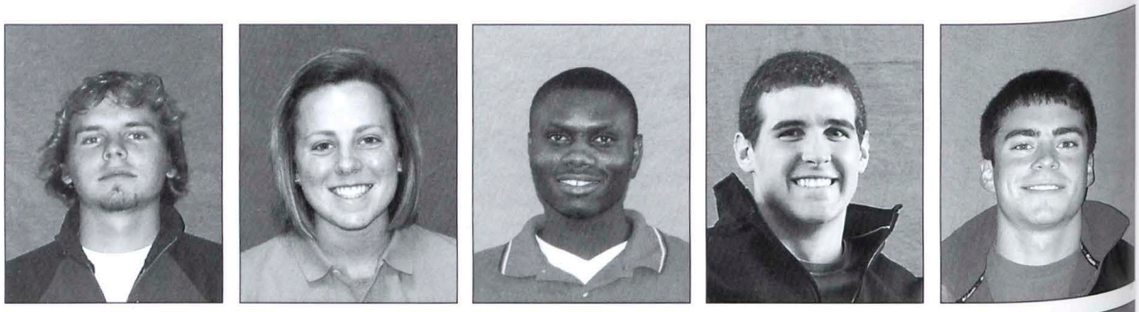
But it was hard to tell what the future has in store for Fayetteville and the electronic scene. Puckett admitted he had no way to predict two years ago what happened this year on the music scene. The coming season of music has Puckett excited, and with each year, the music gets better and better.

"I really love this city," he said. "I could definitely see myself sticking around here if things take off."

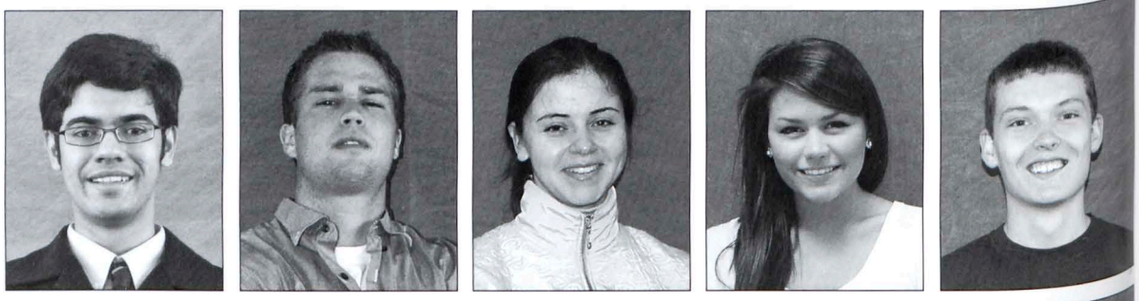


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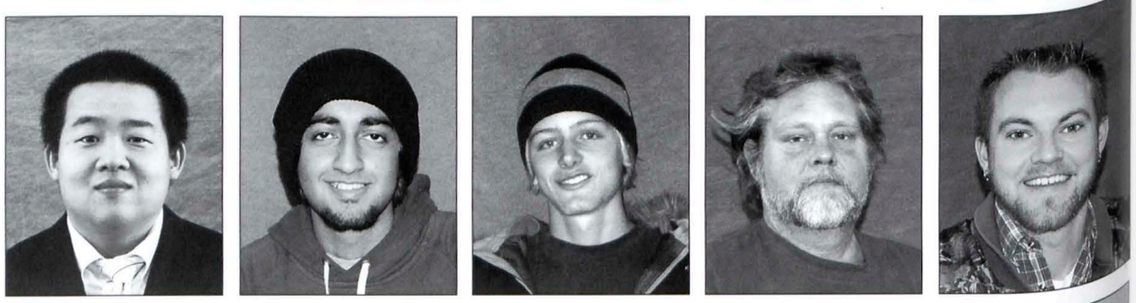
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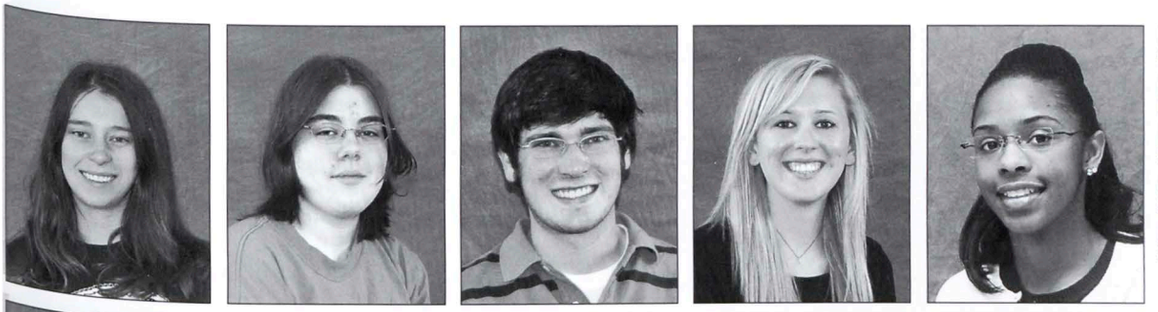


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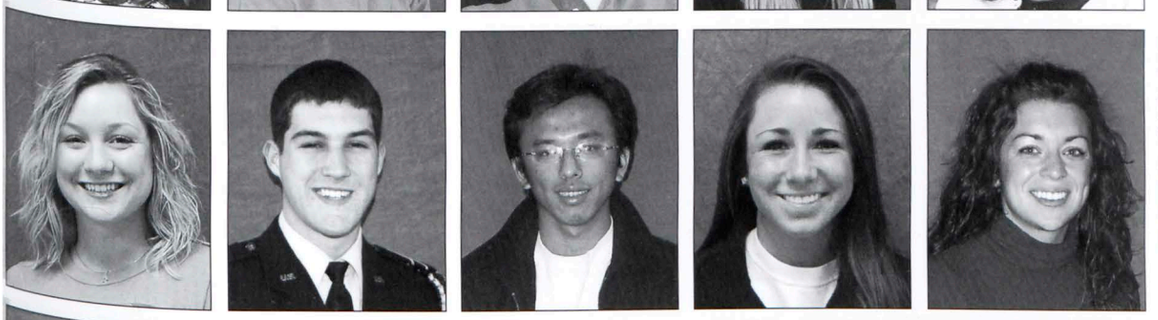


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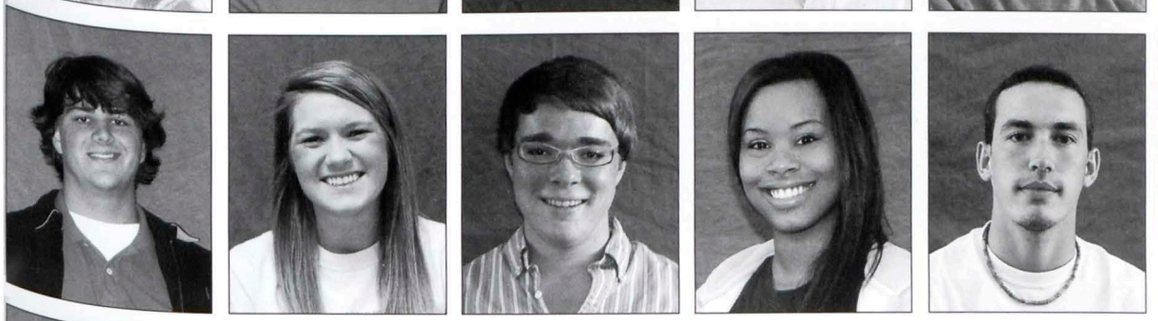
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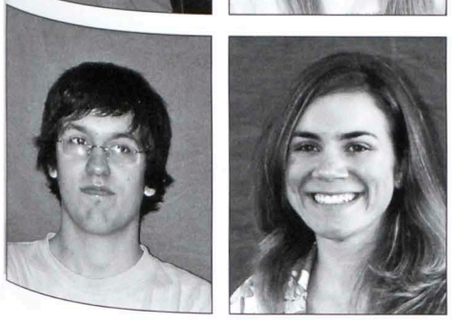
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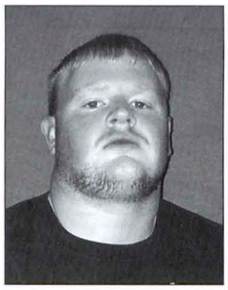
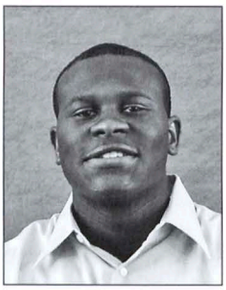
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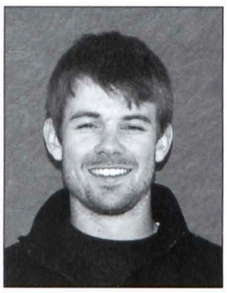
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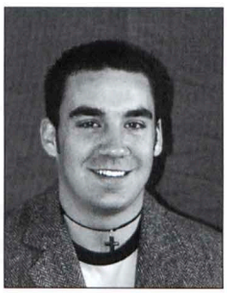
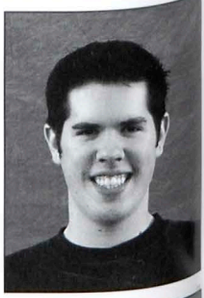
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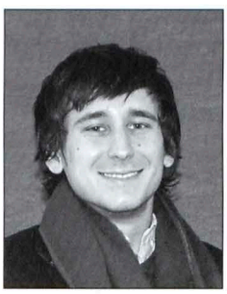
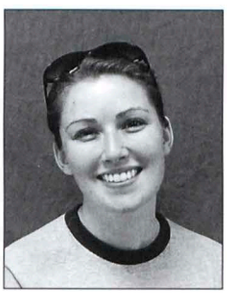

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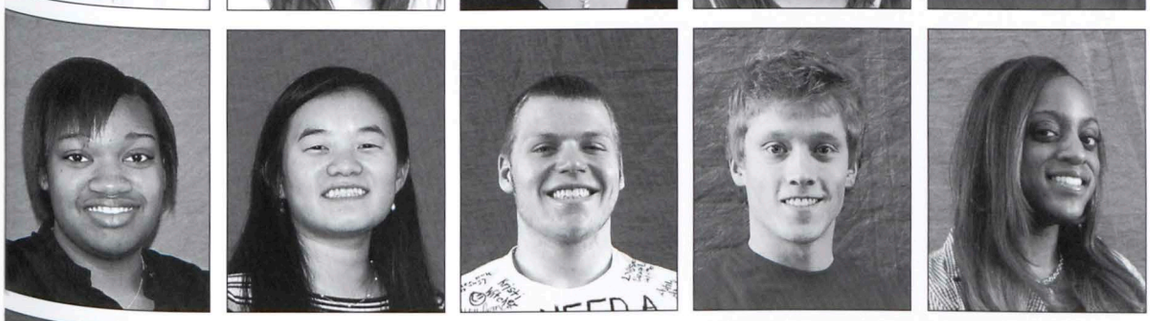


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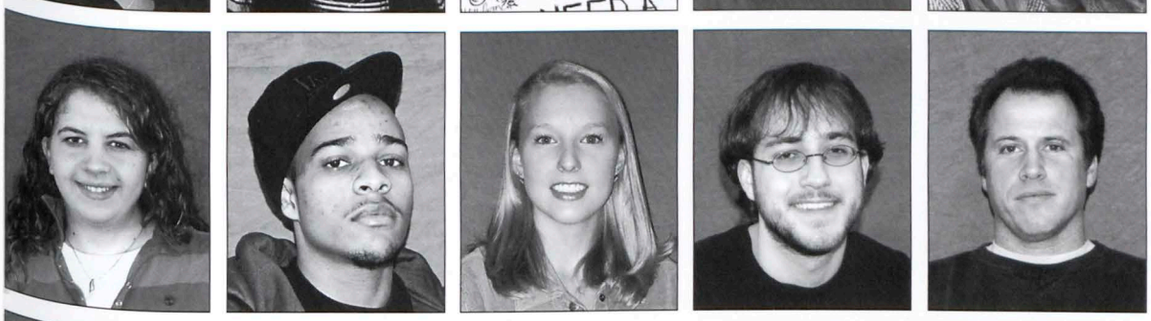





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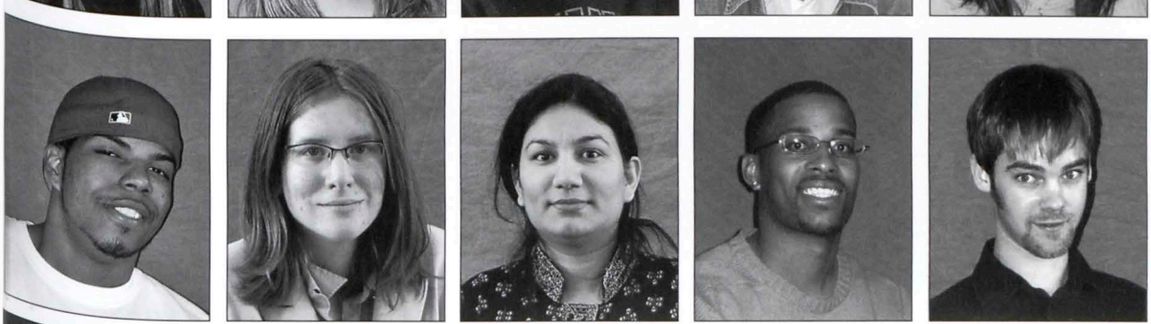
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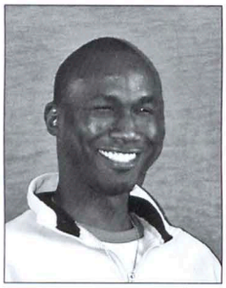


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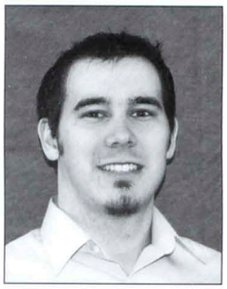
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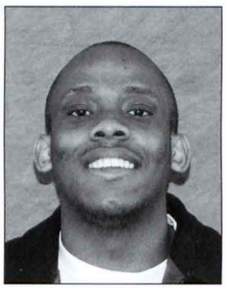






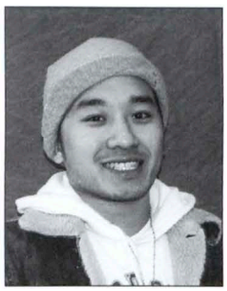
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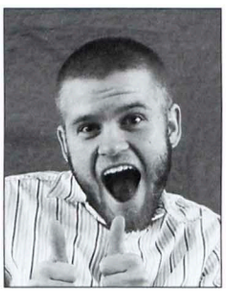
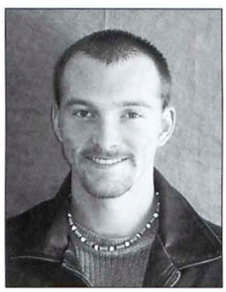






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BY DAN CLARK

It was because of an odd twist of fate that Jose Lopez got into journalism. Lopez, a senior journalism and political science major, originally started off in the business college but didn't like it all.

"I always liked writing," he said. In his spare time, Lopez enjoyed writing short stories, poetry and music, so he decided to try journalism. He hasn't regretted his decision since.

Lopez was the editor of the *Arkansas Traveler* after he joined the *Traveler* in 2002 shortly after switching majors. His first assignment was to write a profile of Brook Matthews, a Miss Arkansas contestant.

He continued to write news articles for a while, but soon decided to get into writing features about art, drama and movies because that was where his passion was.

"I switched gears and started focusing more on features," Lopez said. And he focused so well that he was soon offered an opportunity to work as an assistant features editor. Since taking on the job, Lopez has learned a lot about the professional world of journalism.

"Managing people is probably the hardest thing that a human can do," he said.

Lopez also said he enjoyed working with his staff and that everyone was helpful. "We have to save each others' backs" he said. Lopez also admitted that he had to learn a lot through simple rookie mistakes.

"I made a lot of mistakes," he said, but "the amount I've learned is incredible," he added.

Dealing with unnecessarily hostile people was something that Lopez learned to handle. A lot of people called the newspaper office to complain about the opinions page, and others called just to leave a profound "you suck" for the staff. Lopez said he learned to develop a thick skin when dealing with these kinds of readers, but he wanted people to understand his position as an editor.

"I put myself in other peoples' shoes, I wish more people would do that as well, but I get over it pretty quickly," Lopez said.

Students that were looking to get into journalism should take a realistic approach, Lopez advised.

"Journalism isn't easy," he said, "You have deadlines and a lot of pressure, but it's a lot of fun and it's rewarding, so if you're up for that challenge, go for it."

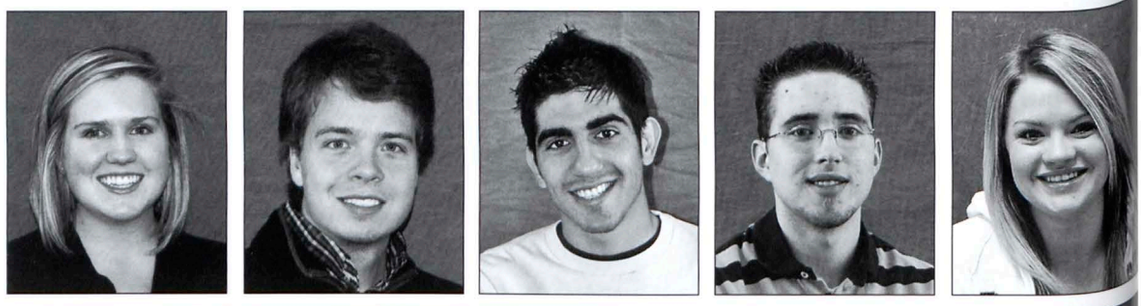


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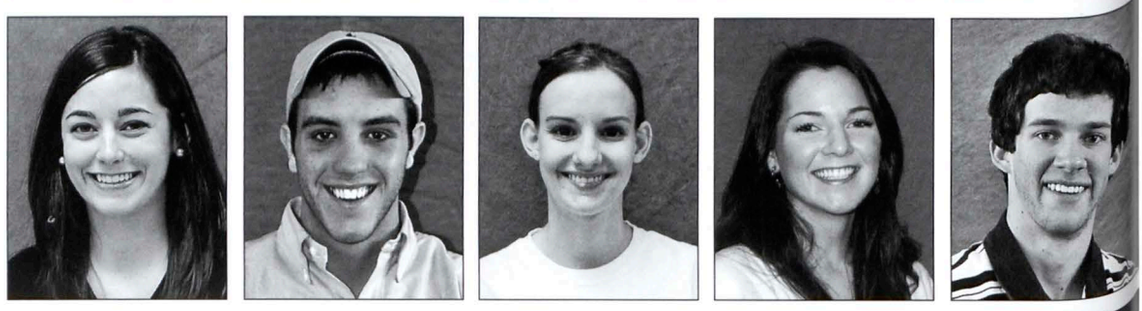
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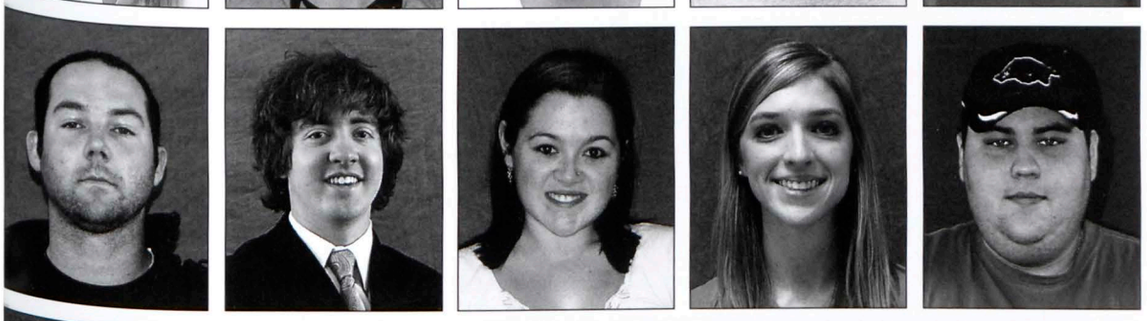


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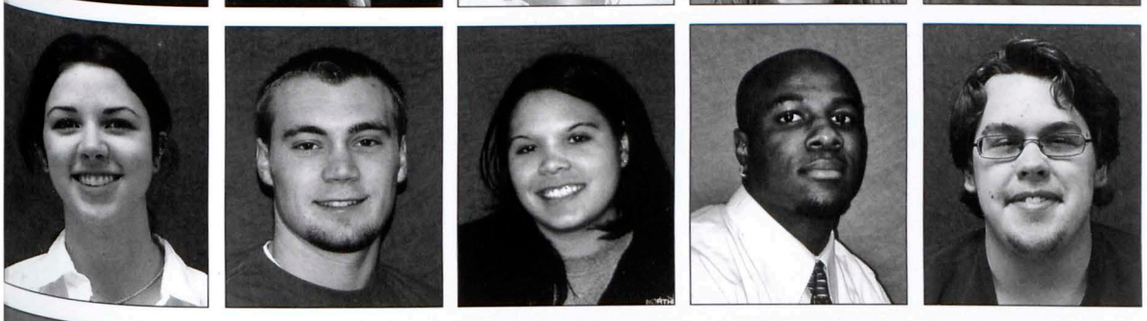




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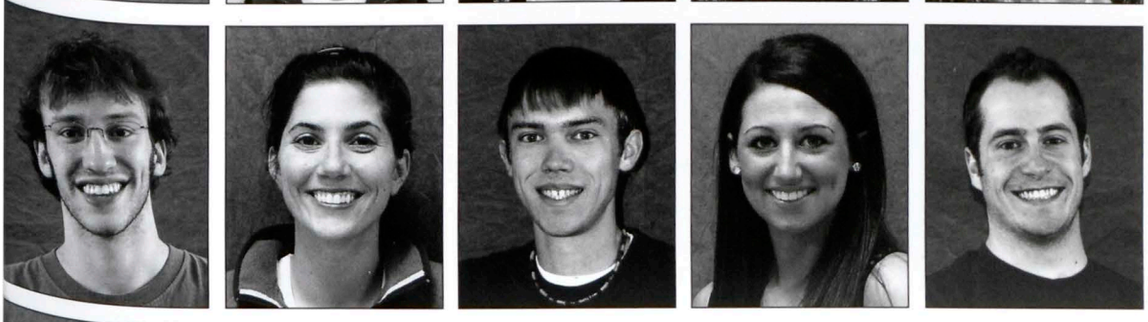
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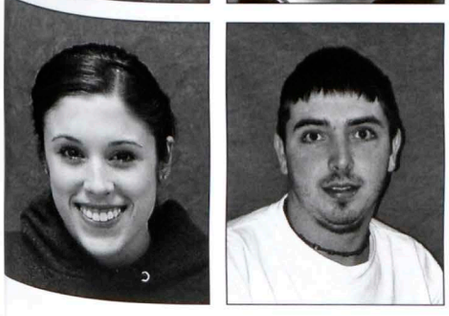
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BY ANGELA WITT

An interest in archaeology since middle school became a way to spend summer vacations for one UA junior honors student.

Emily Voight, a double major in anthropology and Middle Eastern studies, planned to pursue a Ph.D in Middle Eastern archaeology after graduation.

"I chose the Middle East because it has some of the world's oldest archaeology and where civilization effectively began," she said.

Voight spent the past two summers in Tell Qarqur, Syria and spent the summer of 2007 there as well, she said. She was in an area called the Orontes River Valley, in the northwest part of Syria, south of the city of Aleppo.



emily voight

"On digs we found a lot of pottery and bones, a spear point, glass, glass bracelet fragments and a ring," she said. "My favorite artifact that I found was an iron spear point dating to the Islamic Era. And some of the oldest artifacts I found were a ton of deposited pottery shards from around 3000 B.C. "

Syria was an interesting place to work and visit, she said.

"I got to see how people in the Middle East live, day by day. Not just urban city dwellers but rural farmers," Voight said.

Village life there was based ultimately on family ties to the village mayor because that is how jobs are portioned out. "Based on your connection to the leader," she said.

"The Syrians I met were very tied into the politics of their country, the region and the world as a whole, which was a striking difference I saw between the Syria and the US," Voight said.

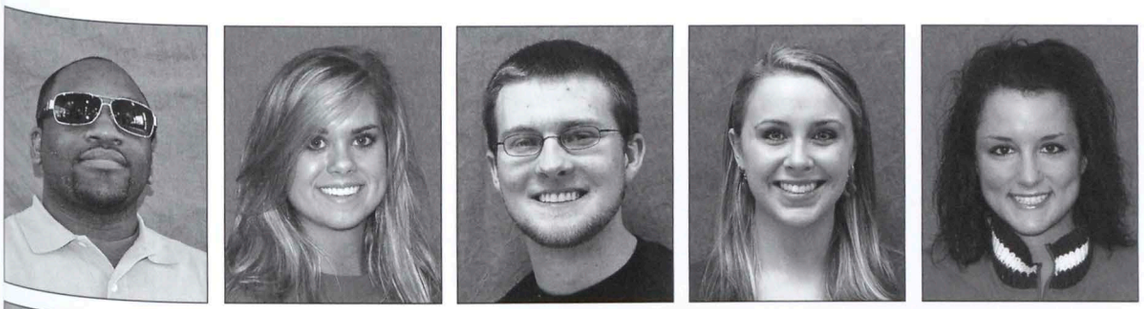
"The people in Syria were hospitable, open and very welcoming," she said. "The people would invite you in for tea even though you were a stranger."

She recalled a time when a family invited her group in for tea, nuts and watermelon.

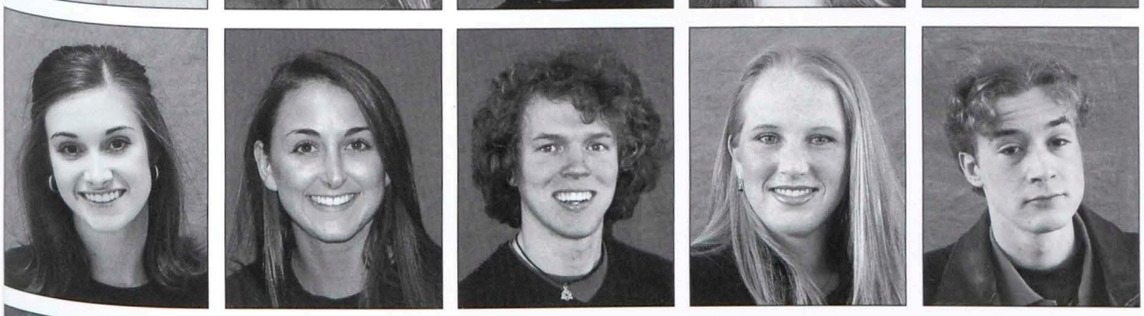
"We all have a lovely time trying to communicate in broken Arabic and broken English about the history and archaeology of the area," she said.

It was new friendships like that one and the knowledge she gained that made the experience unforgettable for Voight.

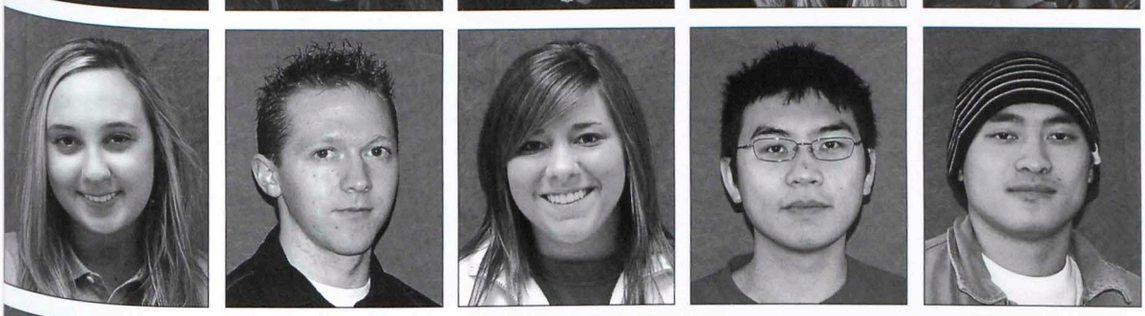
"Actually getting to do archaeology was amazing, as was experiencing a different culture," she said.



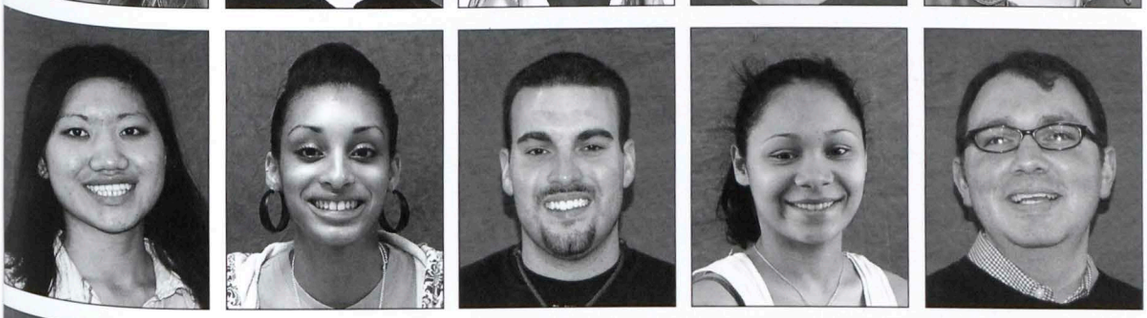
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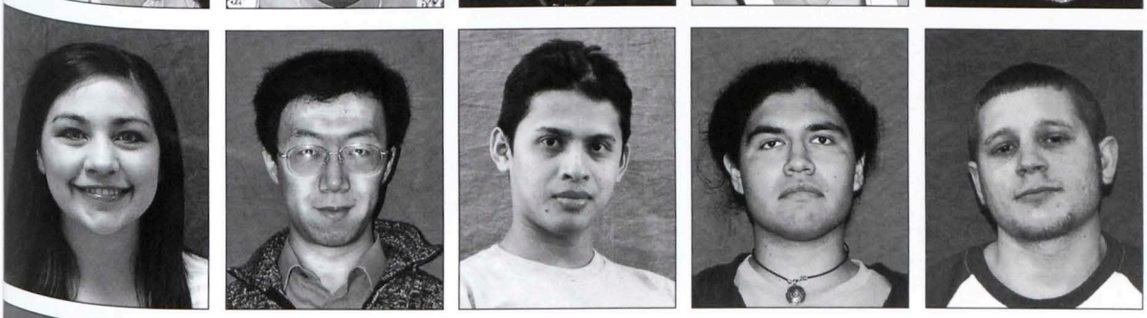
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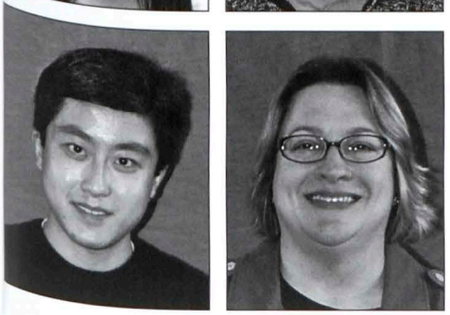
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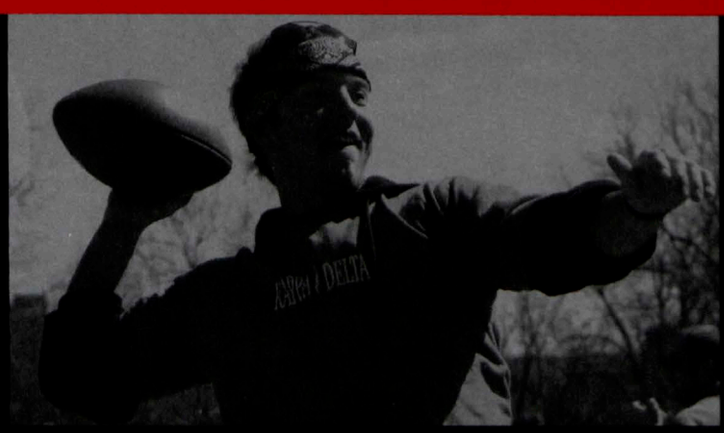
A student rests under a tree between classes.
Below: A coach for the Kappa Delta Derby Days team tosses a football with one of his Sigma Chi brothers. PHOTOS BY ROBYN CLOUD





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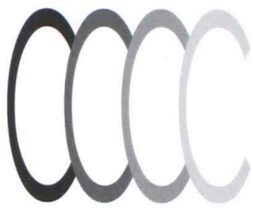


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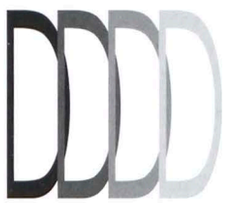
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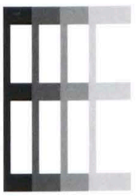
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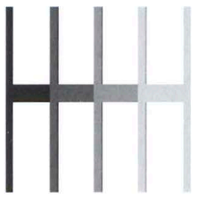


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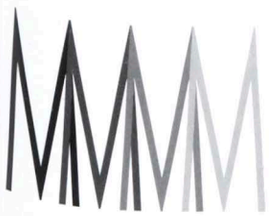


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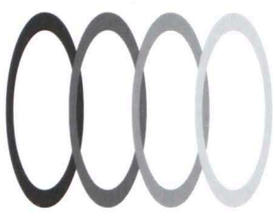


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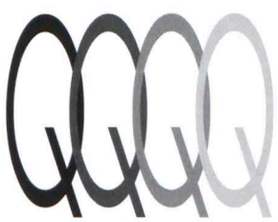


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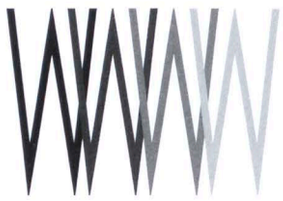


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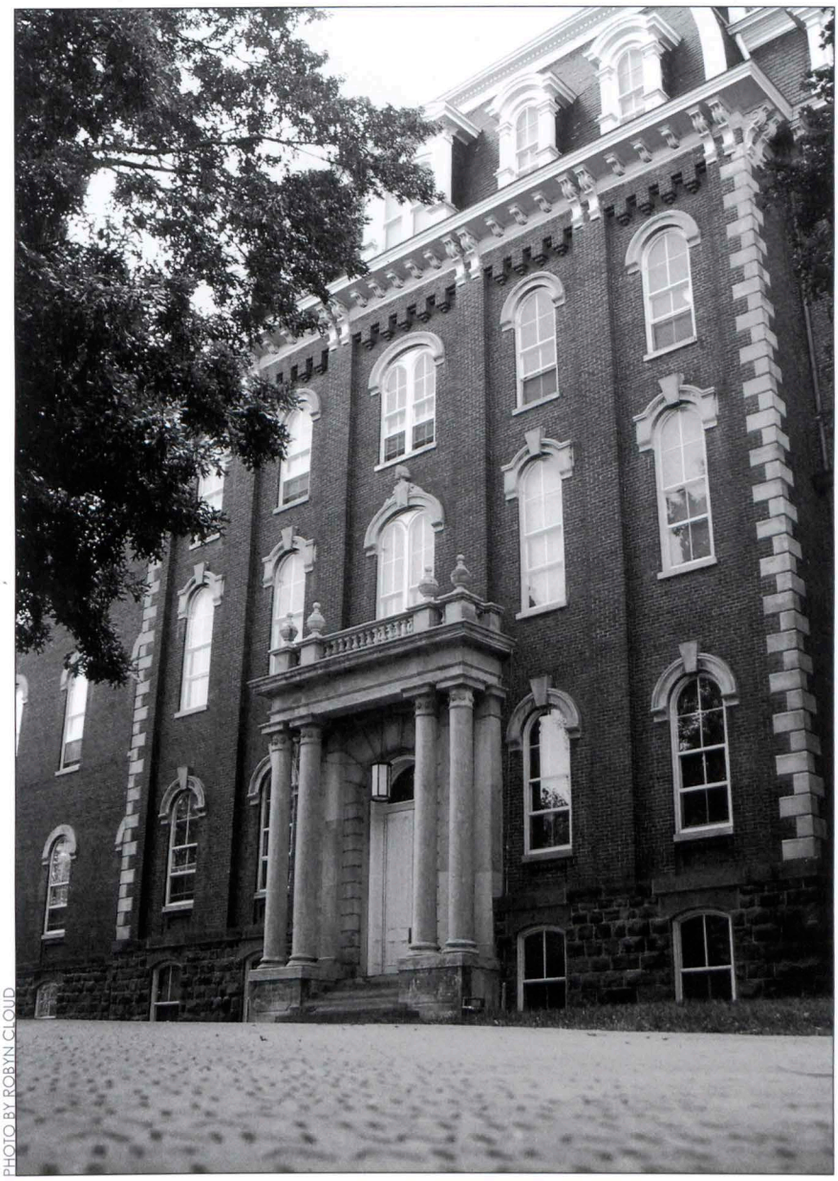
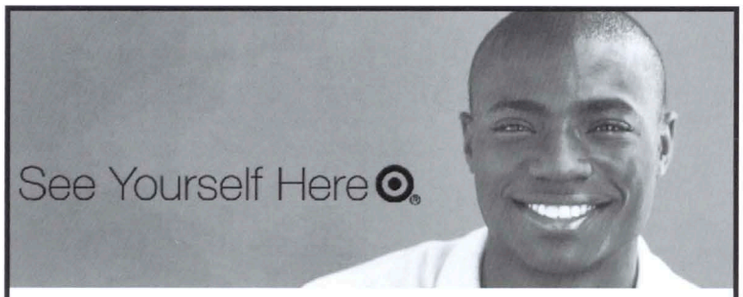


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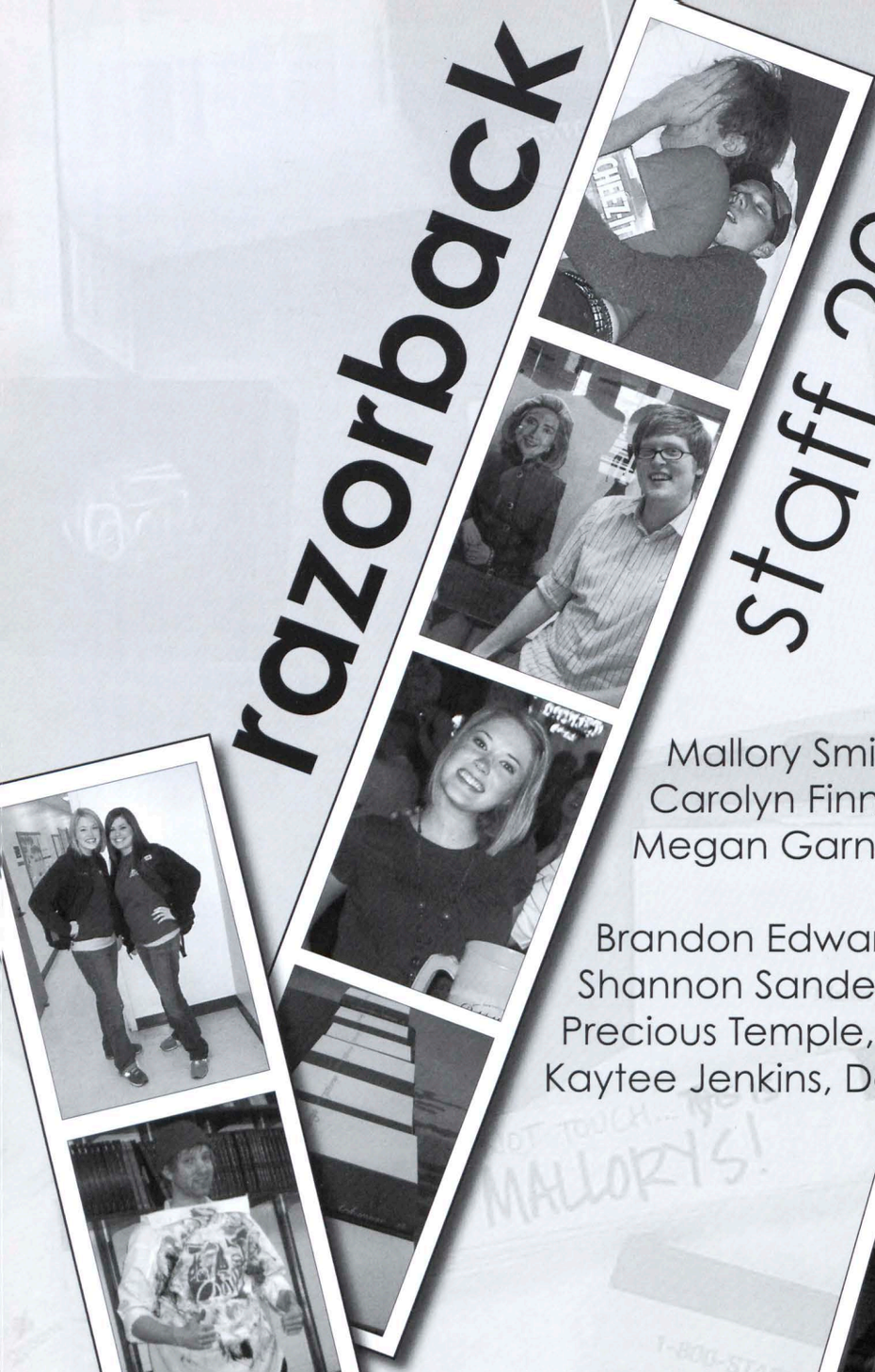
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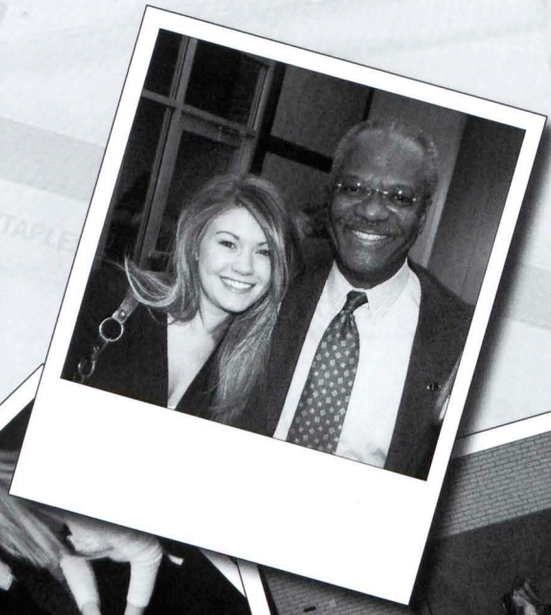
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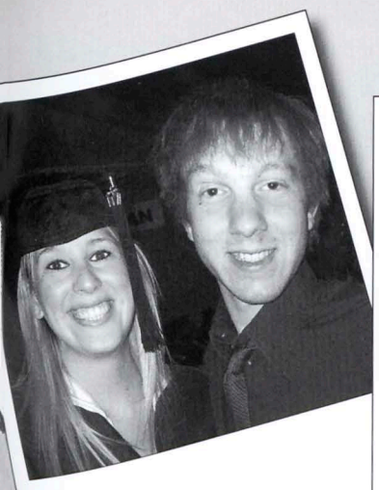


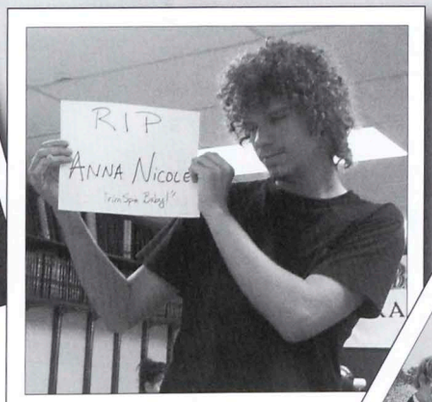
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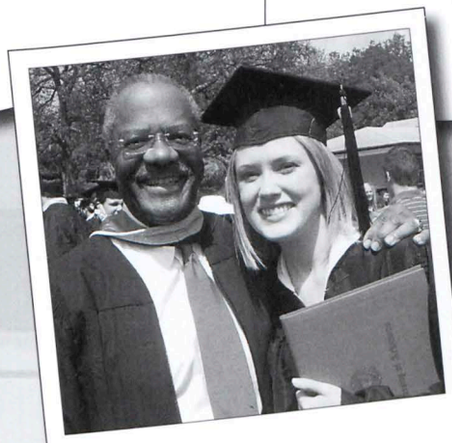




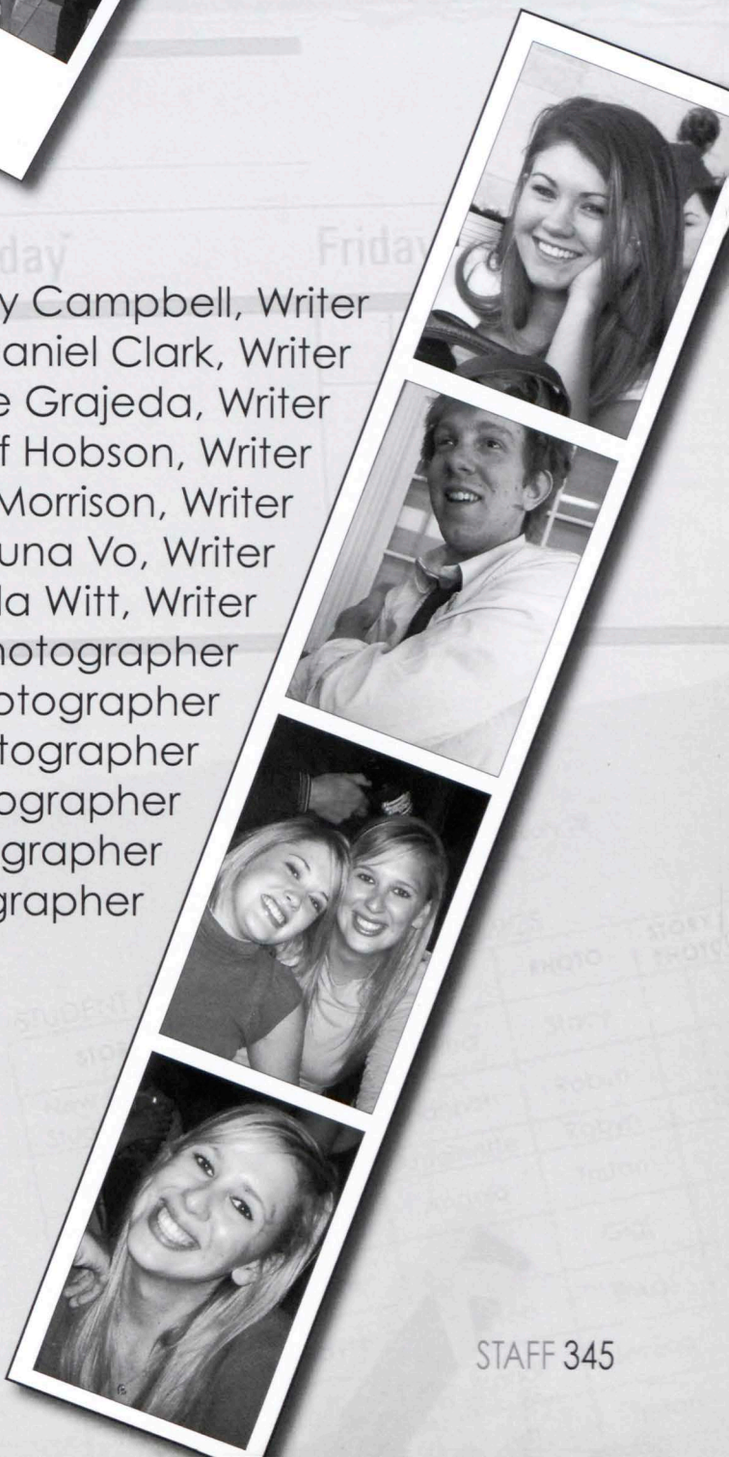












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I have always said that joining the yearbook staff was the best decision I made while I was in college and I think it is true now more than ever, especially after looking back on the whole experience. I learned so much, a lot of which I will never use again, like how to cover an entire desk in hole punches or how to organize 1,000 individual portraits. But many of my experiences on this staff will carry me throughout the rest of my life. I have learned that co-workers can tun out to be your best friends and that you should always take pride in your work, no matter how insignificant it may seem at times.

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